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Level 1 – 7th December, 2018

Rare white reindeer photographed in Norway

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A man photographed a rare white reindeer in the north of Norway. Mads Nordsveen, from Oslo, was hiking in the mountains. He suddenly saw a small white animal. He realized it was a reindeer. He said it was so white, "he almost disappeared into the snow". He said the experience was "magical" and like a "fairy tale". He said: "We looked into each other's eyes. He was very calm....He behaved as if he was posing for my photos. He was very curious."

The photo has gone viral on social media. It has been liked over 30,000 times. It is good luck in Norway to see a white reindeer. Also, Christmas is coming. Santa Claus' sleigh is pulled by eight reindeer. They help Santa to deliver presents. Santa's reindeer are usually brown. A white reindeer is white because of a genetic problem that removes colour from its fur. They are not albino. In the USA, reindeer are known as caribou.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-46442538>
<https://globalnews.ca/news/4726909/rare-white-reindeer-calf/>
<https://www.theweathernetwork.com/news/articles/white-reindeer-captured-by-norwegian-photographer-mads-nordsveen-instagram-northern-norway-sami-people/118142>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. in the | a. into the snow |
| 2. He suddenly saw a small | b. for my photos |
| 3. he almost disappeared | c. "magical" |
| 4. He said the experience was | d. curious |
| 5. like a | e. other's eyes |
| 6. We looked into each | f. north of Norway |
| 7. he was posing | g. white animal |
| 8. He was very | h. "fairy tale" |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. The photo has gone viral | a. are usually brown |
| 2. It is good | b. from its fur |
| 3. Santa Claus' sleigh is pulled | c. luck in Norway |
| 4. They help Santa | d. known as caribou |
| 5. Santa's reindeer | e. by eight reindeer |
| 6. because of a genetic | f. to deliver presents |
| 7. removes colour | g. on social media |
| 8. In the USA, reindeer are | h. problem |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A man photographed a rare white reindeer (1) _____ of Norway. Mads Nordsveen, from Oslo, was (2) _____ mountains. He suddenly saw a small white animal. He (3) _____ a reindeer. He said it was so white, "he almost disappeared (4) _____". He said the experience was "magical" and like a "fairy tale". He said: "We looked (5) _____ eyes. He was very calm....He behaved as if he (6) _____ my photos. He was very curious."

The photo has (7) _____ social media. It has been liked over 30,000 times. It is (8) _____ Norway to see a white reindeer. Also, Christmas is coming. Santa Claus' sleigh (9) _____ eight reindeer. They help Santa to deliver presents. Santa's reindeer (10) _____. A white reindeer is white (11) _____ genetic problem that removes colour from its fur. They are not albino. In the USA, reindeer (12) _____ caribou.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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REINDEER SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181207-reindeer-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Reindeer in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181207-reindeer-2.html>

Write about **reindeer** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
