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Satellites launched to provide worldwide Internet

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THE READING

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A company has launched six satellites in a multi-billion-dollar project to make low-cost Internet accessible to every corner of Earth. The company, OneWeb, launched the satellites on board a Soyuz rocket. OneWeb is planning a network of 900 satellites and will send more satellites into space at the end of this year. It will launch several rockets every month, each carrying 39 satellites. Only 648 satellites can provide global Internet coverage.

OneWeb's CEO said the network would greatly change the lives of millions of people. He said: "We're going to connect lots of people who are not currently connected." His company will focus on connecting schools, boats, planes, and "huge swathes of the planet". Not everyone is happy. China is testing jammers to block the network. North Korea and Russia might fear the network could gather intelligence and damage national security.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-47374246>
<https://www.dw.com/en/oneweb-of-900-internet-satellites-in-space/a-47690785>
<https://onewebsatellites.com/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. accessible to every | a. of 900 satellites |
| 2. on board a | b. Internet coverage |
| 3. a network | c. of this year |
| 4. send more satellites | d. Soyuz rocket |
| 5. at the end | e. 39 satellites |
| 6. It will launch several | f. corner of Earth |
| 7. each carrying | g. into space |
| 8. provide global | h. rockets every month |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. change the lives of millions | a. on connecting schools |
| 2. We're going to connect | b. intelligence |
| 3. not currently | c. block the network |
| 4. His company will focus | d. security |
| 5. huge swathes | e. lots of people |
| 6. testing jammers to | f. of the planet |
| 7. gather | g. of people |
| 8. damage national | h. connected |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A company has launched six satellites (1) _____-dollar project (2) _____ Internet accessible to every corner of Earth. The company, OneWeb, launched the (3) _____ a Soyuz rocket. OneWeb is planning a network of 900 satellites and will send more satellites (4) _____ the end of this year. It will launch several rockets every month, (5) _____ satellites. Only 648 satellites (6) _____ Internet coverage.

OneWeb's CEO said the network would greatly (7) _____ of millions of people. He said: "We're going (8) _____ of people who are not currently connected." His company (9) _____ connecting schools, boats, planes, and "(10) _____ the planet". Not everyone is happy. China is testing (11) _____ the network. North Korea and Russia might fear the network could gather intelligence (12) _____ security.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE INTERNET SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about the Internet 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) _____

