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Level 0 – 26th September

Water seller becomes China's richest man

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The magazine Bloomberg has named Mr Zhong Shanshan as China's richest man. He is worth \$58 billion. He is \$2 billion richer than the previous number one. Mr Zhong made his money from his bottled water company. He also makes vaccines. Zhong is 17th on the global rich list. He might move up that list in the future.

Zhong Shanshan, 66, started his water company in 1996. This is when China's bottled water market started. It is big business in China. Most people prefer bottled water to tap water. Zhong's vaccine company is making a vaccine to fight COVID-19. China's media call Mr Zhong a "lone wolf". He is rarely seen in public.

Sources: <https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/asia/bottled-water-billionaire-pips-jack-ma-to-become-china-s-richest--13143916>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. He is worth | a. global rich list |
| 2. He is \$2 billion | b. his money |
| 3. the previous number | c. future |
| 4. Mr Zhong made | d. \$58 billion |
| 5. He also makes | e. that list |
| 6. 17th on the | f. richer |
| 7. He might move up | g. vaccines |
| 8. in the | h. one |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. when China's bottled water | a. in public |
| 2. It is big | b. vaccine |
| 3. people prefer bottled water | c. business in China |
| 4. making a | d. wolf |
| 5. fight | e. media |
| 6. China's | f. market started |
| 7. a lone | g. COVID-19 |
| 8. He is rarely seen | h. to tap water |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Zhong Shanshan, 66, (7) _____ company in 1996. (8) _____ China's bottled water market started. It is (9) _____ China. Most people prefer bottled (10) _____ water. Zhong's vaccine company is making a (11) _____ COVID-19. China's media call Mr Zhong a "lone wolf". He is (12) _____ public.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BEING RICH SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about being rich 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

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