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**Level 0 – 15th December, 2020**

## **Metal detecting finds ancient treasure in U.K.**

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

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting-0.html>

People in the UK found more than 47,000 old objects. People used metal detectors to find old coins and other treasure.

Metal detecting is good during coronavirus because social distancing is easy. People put photos of the coins on the museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see."

Someone found 50 South African gold coins near London.

Another person found gold and silver coins with the faces of British kings. These coins were from the 16th century. Another person found ancient Roman furniture from AD 43-200. It had the face of the god Oceanus on it. These are important for understanding Britain's past.

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/style/article/lockdown-garden-archaeology-trnd/index.html>  
<https://nypost.com/2020/12/11/british-gardeners-find-archeological-gems-during-quarantine/>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. People in         | a. detectors      |
| 2. more than 47,000  | b. website        |
| 3. People used metal | c. other treasure |
| 4. old coins and     | d. to see         |
| 5. good during       | e. is easy        |
| 6. social distancing | f. the UK         |
| 7. on the museum's   | g. coronavirus    |
| 8. It is brilliant   | h. old objects    |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. gold coins                 | a. British kings |
| 2. gold and silver            | b. Oceanus on it |
| 3. the faces of               | c. coins         |
| 4. from the 16th              | d. past          |
| 5. ancient Roman              | e. century       |
| 6. from AD                    | f. furniture     |
| 7. It had the face of the god | g. near London   |
| 8. understanding Britain's    | h. 43-200        |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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People in the UK (1) \_\_\_\_\_ 47,000 old objects.

People used metal detectors (2) \_\_\_\_\_ coins and

other treasure. Metal detecting (3) \_\_\_\_\_

coronavirus because (4) \_\_\_\_\_ easy. People put

photos (5) \_\_\_\_\_ on the museum's website. The

U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is (6) \_\_\_\_\_."

Someone found 50 South African (7) \_\_\_\_\_

London. Another (8) \_\_\_\_\_ and silver coins

(9) \_\_\_\_\_ of British kings. These

(10) \_\_\_\_\_ the 16th century. Another person

found ancient Roman (11) \_\_\_\_\_ 43-200. It had

the face of the god Oceanus on it. These

(12) \_\_\_\_\_ understanding Britain's past.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# TREASURE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting-0.html>

Write five GOOD questions about treasure 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) \_\_\_\_\_

