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World's largest building opens in China

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THE READING

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China has many of the biggest things in the world. Now it has a new one - the world's largest building. It is called the New Century Global Center. It opened this week in Chengdu. It is 500 meters long, 400 meters wide and 100 meters high. It is very, very, very big. Twenty Sydney Opera Houses can go inside it. It is almost three times bigger than the Pentagon. Thousands of workers built it in three years. It will make Chengdu a 21st-century city.

The inside of the center is like a small city. There are 400,000 square meters of shopping space, a 15-screen movie theater and an ice rink. There are also offices, hotels, a Mediterranean village and a water park. The owners want to bring business and tourists from across the world to Chengdu. It will make Chengdu famous. Fourteen million people live in the city. It is an important place for business. Chengdu is also home to many giant pandas.

Sources: http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/asia/worlds-largest-building-the-new-century-global-center-officially-opens-in-china-8681615.html

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MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- 1. China has many of the biggest a. bigger than the Pentagon
- 2 Now it has a b. long
- 3. It opened this c. a 21st-century city
- 4. It is 500 meters d. can go inside it
- 5. Twenty Sydney Opera Houses e. things in the world
- 6. It is almost three times f. week in Chengdu
- 7. Thousands of workers built it g. new one
- 8. It will make Chengdu h. in three years

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- 1. The inside of the center a. rink
- 2 There are 400,000 square meters of b. park
- 3. a 15-screen c. is like a small city
- 4. an ice d. from across the world
- 5. a water e. shopping space
- 6. bring business and tourists f. to many giant pandas
- 7. It is an important place g. movie theater
- 8. Chengdu is also home h. for business

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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has a new one - the (2)	It is called the
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(8) theater and a	n ice rink. There are
(9) a Mediterranea	n village and a water
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from across the world to 0	Chengdu. It will
(11) Fourteen mil	lion people live in the
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PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s). a) b) c) d) e) f) g) h) World's largest building opens in China – 3rd July, 2013 More free lessons at www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S) Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s). a) b) c) d) e) f) g) h)

WRITING

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