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Level 0

Couple finds \$10 million of coins in garden

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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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A couple got a big surprise while walking in the garden. They found 1,427 gold coins under a tree. The coins are worth \$10 million. They are all in perfect condition. They are almost 200 years old. Some of them are very rare. The woman said: "It was like finding a wonderful hot potato."

The couple will keep some coins and sell the others. They will give some money to charity. The woman said the answer to our problems might be under our feet. A coin expert said the coins were real. He said looking at the coins was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. He said it was real treasure.

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/1217412/couple-find-gold-coins-worth-10m-in-back-yard>
<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-gold-coins-california-backyard-20140225,0,2401817.story#ixzz2uPQjSK7W>
<http://edition.cnn.com/2014/02/25/us/california-gold-discovery/>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. A couple got | a. gold coins |
| 2. while | b. 200 years old |
| 3. They found 1,427 | c. \$10 million |
| 4. The coins are worth | d. a big surprise |
| 5. They are all in perfect | e. potato |
| 6. They are almost | f. walking in the garden |
| 7. Some of them | g. condition |
| 8. a wonderful hot | h. are very rare |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. The couple will | a. our problems |
| 2. sell the | b. lifetime opportunity |
| 3. give some money | c. others |
| 4. the answer to | d. to charity |
| 5. under our | e. expert |
| 6. A coin | f. keep some coins |
| 7. a once-in-a- | g. treasure |
| 8. He said it was real | h. feet |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A couple (1) _____ while walking in the garden.

They (2) _____ coins under a tree. The coins

are (3) _____. They are all in

(4) _____. They are almost 200 years old.

Some of (5) _____. The woman said: "It was

like finding a (6) _____."

The couple (7) _____ coins and sell the others.

They will give some (8) _____. The woman said

(9) _____ problems might be

(10) _____. A coin expert said the coins were

real. He said looking at the coins was a (11)

_____ opportunity. He said it (12)

_____.

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) _____

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