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Level 5

Half a million at Washington D.C. Women's March

1st February, 2017

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THE READING

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New figures show that up to 500,000 people attended the Women's March on Washington in January. There has been debate over the size of the crowds. However, analysis from the company Digital Design and Imaging Service estimates there were 440,000 marchers, with a possibility of half a million. It was the biggest demonstration in the USA since the Vietnam War protests. The New York Times said the Women's March crowd was three times bigger than the one at President Donald Trump's inauguration. Five million people participated in women's marches around the world.

The Women's March was a global protest for women's rights. Marchers also focused on immigration, healthcare, the environment, LGBTQ rights, racial equality, freedom of religion, and workers' rights. Event organisers said they wanted to, "send a bold message" to the new Trump government on its first day in office, and to the world, "that women's rights are human rights". Organisers added: "We will not rest until women have parity and equity at all levels of leadership in society. We work peacefully while recognizing there is no true peace without justice and equity for all."

Sources: <http://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2017/1/27/14364270/analysis-womens-march-washington-dc-half-million-people>
<https://www.womensmarch.com/>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2017_Women's_March

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. New figures show that up to | a. three times bigger |
| 2. debate over the size | b. around the world |
| 3. estimates there | c. demonstration |
| 4. with a possibility of half | d. of the crowds |
| 5. It was the biggest | e. were 440,000 marchers |
| 6. the Women's March crowd was | f. 500,000 people attended |
| 7. Five million people | g. a million |
| 8. women's marches | h. participated |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. a global protest | a. bold message |
| 2. Marchers also focused | b. equality |
| 3. racial | c. women have parity |
| 4. freedom | d. levels of leadership |
| 5. send a | e. for women's rights |
| 6. We will not rest until | f. peace without justice |
| 7. equity at all | g. on immigration |
| 8. there is no true | h. of religion |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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New figures (1) _____ 500,000 people attended the Women's March on Washington in January. There has been (2) _____ size of the crowds. However, analysis from the company Digital Design and Imaging Service (3) _____ 440,000 marchers, with a possibility (4) _____. It was the biggest demonstration in the USA since the Vietnam War protests. The New York Times said the Women's March crowd was (5) _____ than the one at President Donald Trump's inauguration. Five million people (6) _____ women's marches around the world.

The Women's March was (7) _____ for women's rights. Marchers also focused on immigration, healthcare, the environment, LGBTQ rights, racial equality, (8) _____, and workers' rights. Event organisers said they wanted to, "send (9) _____" to the new Trump government (10) _____ office, and to the world, "that women's rights are human rights". Organisers added: "We will not rest until women (11) _____ equity at all levels of leadership in society. We work peacefully while recognizing there is no true peace without justice (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WOMEN'S MARCH SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Women's March 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 **Women's March** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
