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Level 0

Japan makes banana with peel you can eat

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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/1802/180201-banana-peel-0.html>

A new banana has a skin you can eat. Banana farmers in Japan made it. They found a new way of growing bananas. Farmers grow their banana trees at a freezing temperature of -60°C . They then put the trees in 27°C heat. The temperature change makes the tree grow quickly. This makes the skin soft enough to eat.

The new banana is called the "Mongee". They are not cheap. One banana costs six dollars. Farmers don't grow many. They will grow more, so the price will go down. Japan gets 99% of its bananas from other countries. Maybe Japanese people will eat more bananas grown in Japan. The Mongee banana skin is very sweet.

Sources: <https://qz.com/1191654/a-banana-with-an-edible-peel-is-now-available-for-sale-in-japan/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. A new banana has a skin | a. in 27°C heat |
| 2. found a new way of | b. their banana trees |
| 3. Farmers grow | c. to eat |
| 4. freezing temperature | d. growing bananas |
| 5. put the trees | e. grow quickly |
| 6. The temperature | f. of -60°C |
| 7. makes the tree | g. you can eat |
| 8. soft enough | h. change |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. The new banana is called | a. from other countries |
| 2. They are not | b. in Japan |
| 3. One banana costs | c. cheap |
| 4. the price will | d. is very sweet |
| 5. Japan gets 99% of its bananas | e. six dollars |
| 6. Japanese people will eat | f. go down |
| 7. bananas grown | g. the "Mongee" |
| 8. The Mongee banana skin | h. more |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A new banana (1) _____ you can eat. Banana (2) _____ made it. They found a new way of growing bananas. Farmers (3) _____ trees at a freezing temperature (4) _____. They then put the trees (5) _____. The temperature change makes the tree grow quickly. This makes the (6) _____ to eat.

The new banana is called the "Mongee". They (7) _____. One banana costs six dollars. Farmers (8) _____. They will grow more, (9) _____ will go down. Japan gets 99% of its bananas (10) _____. Maybe Japanese people will (11) _____ grown in Japan. The Mongee banana skin (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BANANA PEEL SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180201-banana-peel-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about banana peel 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) _____

