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Level 2

Monaco running out of space for millionaires

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The city-state of Monaco on the Mediterranean coast is having problems finding space for millionaires. Monaco is less than 2 square kilometers in size. It is called the playground of the rich. It is home to a Formula 1 Grand Prix, a famous casino and a luxury harbor. Over 30 per cent of its 38,000 residents are millionaires. House prices are already the highest in the world. The average price is around \$100,000 per square meter. City planners say about 2,700 more millionaires are hoping to move there in the next 10 years.

Monaco's Prince Albert II has decided to build more homes. He has OK'd a \$2.1 billion project to fill in a large area of the sea with concrete. The area will have a big harbor for yachts, a park and Japanese garden, and 120 luxury waterfront homes. There is a big demand for the new homes. People want the luxury lifestyle and no income tax. Experts are worried the construction will damage sea life and the environment. However, the Prince said he cares about the environment. He said important sea life would be moved to a newly-built reef.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. on the Mediterranean | a. in size |
| 2. having problems | b. price |
| 3. less than 2 square kilometers | c. finding space |
| 4. the playground of | d. next 10 years |
| 5. a famous casino and a | e. square meter |
| 6. The average | f. coast |
| 7. around \$100,000 per | g. the rich |
| 8. move there in the | h. luxury harbor |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. fill in | a. be moved |
| 2. 120 luxury waterfront | b. the luxury lifestyle |
| 3. People want | c. will damage sea life |
| 4. no income | d. reef |
| 5. the construction | e. a large area of the sea |
| 6. he cares about | f. tax |
| 7. important sea life would | g. homes |
| 8. a newly-built | h. the environment |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The city-state of Monaco on the Mediterranean (1) _____ problems finding space for millionaires. Monaco is less than 2 square (2) _____. It is called the playground of the rich. It is home to a Formula 1 Grand Prix, (3) _____ and a luxury harbor. Over 30 per cent of its 38,000 (4) _____. House prices are already the highest in the world. The (5) _____ around \$100,000 per square meter. City planners say about 2,700 more millionaires are (6) _____ there in the next 10 years.

Monaco's Prince Albert II has decided to (7) _____. He has OK'd a \$2.1 billion project to fill in a large area of the sea with concrete. The area will have a big (8) _____, a park and Japanese garden, and 120 (9) _____. There is a big demand for the new homes. People want (10) _____ and no income tax. Experts are worried the construction will (11) _____ and the environment. However, the Prince said he cares about the environment. He said (12) _____ would be moved to a newly-built reef.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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MILLIONAIRES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Millionaires 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) _____

