

# Breaking News English.com

Ready-to-Use English Lessons by Sean Banville

**"1,000 IDEAS & ACTIVITIES  
FOR LANGUAGE TEACHERS"**

[breakingnewsenglish.com/book.html](http://breakingnewsenglish.com/book.html)

**Thousands more free lessons  
from Sean's other websites**

[www.freeeslmaterials.com/sean\\_banville\\_lessons.html](http://www.freeeslmaterials.com/sean_banville_lessons.html)

## Level 1

### Korean boy band BTS No.1 in US album chart

30th May, 2018

<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180530-k-pop-bts-1.html>

## Contents

The Reading	2
Phrase Matching	3
Listening Gap Fill	4
No Spaces	5
Survey	6
Writing and Speaking	7
Writing	8

Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

Twitter



[twitter.com/SeanBanville](https://twitter.com/SeanBanville)

Facebook



[www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176](https://www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176)

Google +



<https://plus.google.com/+SeanBanville>

# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180530-k-pop-bts-1.html>

A Korean band got to number one in the U.S. album charts for the first time. The band BTS debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 chart with their album, "Love Yourself: Tear". They released their album on May 18. It sold 135,000 copies in one week. The album is the second top-10 hit for K-pop. The first was also by BTS. The group thanked fans by tweeting: "It's wonderful and very overwhelming. Thank you everyone....We will keep doing our best."

BTS started in 2013. They quickly became a big success in Korea with their debut song. They won several new artist awards. Their popularity spread and they got many fans in Japan and the USA. They have many followers on social media. They broke the record for the most re-tweeted artist. They were also the world's most tweeted about celebrities, with half a billion likes or re-tweets. BTS' new album is mostly in Korean, but they sold out tours in the USA.

Sources: <https://www.billboard.com/articles/columns/chart-beat/8458036/bts-earns-first-no-1-album-billboard-200-chart-love-yourself-tear>  
<https://mashable.com/2018/05/28/bts-billboard-album-chart/#vThUwQKRdaqr>  
<http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180528000080>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180530-k-pop-bts-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A Korean band           | a. everyone          |
| 2. for the first           | b. 10 hit            |
| 3. The band BTS debuted    | c. overwhelming      |
| 4. They released their     | d. our best          |
| 5. the second top-         | e. at No. 1          |
| 6. It's wonderful and very | f. got to number one |
| 7. Thank you               | g. album on May 18   |
| 8. We will keep doing      | h. time              |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. They quickly became a big | a. in Korean         |
| 2. they got many fans        | b. success in Korea  |
| 3. They have many followers  | c. tours in the USA  |
| 4. They broke the            | d. on social media   |
| 5. the world's most tweeted  | e. record            |
| 6. half a                    | f. in Japan          |
| 7. BTS' new album is mostly  | g. billion           |
| 8. they sold out             | h. about celebrities |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180530-k-pop-bts-1.html>

A Korean (1) \_\_\_\_\_ number one in the U.S. album charts for (2) \_\_\_\_\_. The band BTS debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 chart with their album, "Love Yourself: Tear". They released (3) \_\_\_\_\_ May 18. It sold 135,000 (4) \_\_\_\_\_ week. The album is the second top-10 hit for K-pop. The (5) \_\_\_\_\_ by BTS. The group thanked fans by tweeting: "It's wonderful and very overwhelming. Thank you everyone....We (6) \_\_\_\_\_ our best."

BTS started in 2013. They quickly became (7) \_\_\_\_\_ in Korea with their debut song. They won (8) \_\_\_\_\_ awards. Their popularity spread and they (9) \_\_\_\_\_ in Japan and the USA. They have many followers on social media. They (10) \_\_\_\_\_ for the most re-tweeted artist. They (11) \_\_\_\_\_ world's most tweeted about celebrities, with half a billion likes or re-tweets. BTS' new album (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Korean, but they sold out tours in the USA.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180530-k-pop-bts-1.html>

A Korean band got to number one in the U.S. album charts for the first time. The band BTS debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 chart with their album, "Love Yourself: Tear". They released their album on May 18. It sold 135,000 copies in one week. The album is the second top-10 hit for K-pop. The first was also by BTS. The group thanked fans by tweeting: "It's wonderful and very overwhelming. Thank you everyone.... We will keep doing our best." BTS started in 2013. They quickly became a big success in Korea with their debut song. They won several new artist awards. Their popularity spread and they got many fans in Japan and the USA. They have many followers on social media. They broke the record for the most retweeted artist. They were also the world's most retweeted about celebrities, with half a billion likes or retweets. BTS' new album is mostly in Korean, but they sold out tours in the USA.

# K-POP SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180530-k-pop-bts-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about K-Pop 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) \_\_\_\_\_

*Korean boy band BTS No.1 in US album chart – 30th May, 2018*  
More free lessons at [breakingnewsenglish.com](http://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) \_\_\_\_\_

