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**Level 0** – 19th April, 2019

## One billion dollars promised to rebuild Notre Dame

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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/1904/190419-notre-dame-0.html>

People gave one billion dollars to rebuild the 850-year-old Notre Dame cathedral. It was damaged in a fire. It is an important building. People gave hundreds of millions of dollars to help. France's president wants the rebuilding to be finished before the 2024 Paris Olympics. People say it could take over 20 years.

Some people giving money are billionaires, like the owner of Louis Vuitton. Computer giant Apple is giving money. It said: "We are heartbroken...Apple will be donating to...help restore Notre Dame...for future generations." Many people think it is better for the money to go to the world's poorer people.

Sources: <https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/skbaer/notre-dame-fire-rebuild-pinault-donation-french-billionaire>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190419-notre-dame-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                 |                              |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. People gave one              | a. 2024 Paris Olympics       |
| 2. the 850-year-old Notre Dame  | b. rebuilding to be finished |
| 3. It was damaged in            | c. over 20 years             |
| 4. It is an                     | d. hundreds                  |
| 5. People gave                  | e. cathedral                 |
| 6. France's president wants the | f. billion dollars           |
| 7. before the                   | g. important building        |
| 8. it could take                | h. a fire                    |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                             |                     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Some people giving money | a. Apple            |
| 2. the owner                | b. is better        |
| 3. Computer giant           | c. Notre Dame       |
| 4. We are                   | d. people           |
| 5. help restore             | e. are billionaires |
| 6. for future               | f. of Louis Vuitton |
| 7. Many people think it     | g. generations      |
| 8. the world's poorer       | h. heartbroken      |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190419-notre-dame-0.html>

People gave one billion dollars (1) \_\_\_\_\_ 850-year-old Notre Dame cathedral. It (2) \_\_\_\_\_ a fire. It is (3) \_\_\_\_\_. People gave hundreds of millions of (4) \_\_\_\_\_. France's president wants the rebuilding to be (5) \_\_\_\_\_ 2024 Paris Olympics. People say it could (6) \_\_\_\_\_ years.

Some people (7) \_\_\_\_\_ billionaires, like the owner of Louis Vuitton. Computer (8) \_\_\_\_\_ giving money. It said: "(9) \_\_\_\_\_...Apple will be donating (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Notre Dame...for future generations." Many (11) \_\_\_\_\_ is better for the money to go to the (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# NOTRE DAME SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190419-notre-dame-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Notre Dame 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) \_\_\_\_\_

