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Level 2 – 2nd September, 2019

Luxury 51-country, 8-month cruise sets sail

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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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Would you like to go on a luxury cruise? The cruise of a lifetime set sail on Sunday. It could be the longest cruise ever. It is called the Ultimate World Cruise. The 245-day trip will visit 51 countries on six continents. The cruise ship will stop at 111 ports. The chairman of the cruise company said: "For more than 20 years we have been committed to connecting travelers to...experiences that allow them to explore the world in comfort. Our...cruise is the most extensive [trip] available in the industry....I am pleased to offer such a unique experience for our guests."

The cruise isn't cheap. The 930 passengers paid a minimum of \$81,000 each, but even at this price, all tickets were sold. Guests will live in luxury on the ship. The ship has eight restaurants that offer a different menu for every day of the cruise. Guest chefs will create special menus to match the destination. A spokesman said: "There is more food than you can ever imagine. But we also have a wellness theme throughout the cruise, so you can look after your nutrition." The ship also has two swimming pools, a spa, and a snow grotto where snowflakes fall from the ceiling.

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/travel/2019/aug/30/around-the-world-in-245-days-just-67k-for-voyage-of-a-lifetime>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The cruise of a lifetime set | a. travelers |
| 2. It could be the longest | b. trip available |
| 3. The 245-day trip will | c. cruise ever |
| 4. The chairman of the | d. experience |
| 5. connecting | e. visit 51 countries |
| 6. allow them to explore the world | f. cruise company |
| 7. the most extensive | g. sail on Sunday |
| 8. offer such a unique | h. in comfort |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The cruise isn't | a. menu for every day |
| 2. passengers paid a minimum | b. sold |
| 3. all tickets were | c. ever imagine |
| 4. Guests will live in luxury | d. from the ceiling |
| 5. restaurants that offer a different | e. the destination |
| 6. special menus to match | f. cheap |
| 7. more food than you can | g. on the ship |
| 8. snowflakes fall | h. of \$81,000 each |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The cruise isn't cheap. The 930 passengers (7) _____ of \$81,000 each, but even at this price, all tickets were sold. Guests will (8) _____ on the ship. The ship has eight restaurants that offer a (9) _____ for every day of the cruise. Guest chefs will create special menus to match the destination. A spokesman said: "There is more food than you (10) _____. But we also have a wellness theme throughout the cruise, so you can look (11) _____." The ship also has two swimming pools, a spa, and a snow grotto where snowflakes fall (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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LUXURY CRUISES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1909/190902-luxury-cruise-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about luxury cruises 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) _____

