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Bougainville may be the world's next country

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A possible new member may be added to the global family of nations. Bougainville in Papua New Guinea (PNG) has voted for independence. A referendum was held on the island. Over 181,000 people cast their vote and nearly 98 per cent of them voted in favour of independence. It was a non-binding referendum, which means the PNG government does not have to make it law. However, PNG should act on the result.

Bougainville is the largest of the PNG chain of islands. It is part of the Solomon Islands and used to be called the Republic of North Solomons. Bougainvilleans started a fight for independence in the 1960s. Bougainville became part of PNG in 1976. This started the decade-long Bougainville Civil War, in which 20,000 people lost their lives. The Prime Minister of PNG said his government was committed to respecting the poll's result.

Sources: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-12-11/bougainville-independence-referendum-result/11787434>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-50739203>
<https://www.smh.com.au/world/oceania/bougainville-votes-overwhelmingly-for-independence-from-png-20191211-p53iw6.html>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. added to the global | a. of independence |
| 2. A referendum was held | b. referendum |
| 3. Over 181,000 people cast | c. on the result |
| 4. voted in favour | d. on the island |
| 5. It was a non-binding | e. law |
| 6. the PNG government does | f. their vote |
| 7. make it | g. family of nations |
| 8. PNG should act | h. not have to |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. the largest of the PNG | a. committed |
| 2. It is part of | b. of PNG in 1976 |
| 3. Bougainvilleans started a fight | c. result |
| 4. Bougainville became part | d. the Solomon Islands |
| 5. the decade-long Bougainville | e. their lives |
| 6. 20,000 people lost | f. chain of islands |
| 7. his government was | g. Civil War |
| 8. respecting the poll's | h. for independence |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A (1) _____ may be added to the global family of nations.

Bougainville in Papua New Guinea (PNG) (2) _____

independence. A referendum (3) _____ the island. Over

181,000 people cast their (4) _____ 98 per cent of them

voted in favour of independence. It (5) _____ referendum,

which means the PNG government does not have to make it law. However,

PNG should act (6) _____.

Bougainville is the largest of the PNG (7) _____. It is part of

the Solomon Islands and used (8) _____ the Republic of

North Solomons. Bougainvilleans (9) _____ for

independence in the 1960s. Bougainville (10) _____ PNG in

1976. This started (11) _____ Bougainville Civil War, in

which 20,000 people lost their lives. The Prime Minister of PNG said his

government (12) _____ respecting the poll's result.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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INDEPENDENCE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about independence 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **independence** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
