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Gorilla Glass toughest ever smartphone screen

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass-1.html>

Have you worried about the glass after dropping your smartphone? Glass used to make smartphone screens just got stronger. The glass company Corning makes Gorilla Glass. This has been used in smartphones for many years. It has improved the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, crack or smash. It can survive drops of up to two metres without any damage. It is also two times stronger against scratches than any other glass.

A Corning spokesperson spoke about the new product. He said: "Dropped phones can result in broken phones." He said it was important to make glass that could survive higher drops and be more difficult to scratch. He added that instead of focusing on making the glass better for either drops or scratches, it would be better to focus on improving both. The new glass will debut on Samsung products "in the near future".

Sources: <https://www.pcmag.com/news/corning-launches-toughest-gorilla-glass-yet>
<https://techcrunch.com/2020/07/23/gorilla-glass-victus-can-survive-a-two-meter-drop-and-is-set-to-arrive-on-a-to-samsung-device-soon/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. dropping your | a. stronger |
| 2. smartphone screens | b. the glass |
| 3. This has been used in smartphones | c. just got stronger |
| 4. It has improved | d. to two metres |
| 5. difficult to scratch, crack | e. damage |
| 6. It can survive drops of up | f. for many years |
| 7. without any | g. or smash |
| 8. It is also two times | h. smartphone |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. spoke about the new | a. Samsung products |
| 2. Dropped phones can result | b. scratch |
| 3. glass that could survive | c. future |
| 4. more difficult to | d. higher drops |
| 5. focusing on making | e. on improving both |
| 6. it would be better to focus | f. in broken phones |
| 7. The new glass will debut on | g. the glass better |
| 8. in the near | h. product |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass-1.html>

Have you worried about the glass (1) _____ smartphone? Glass used to make smartphone (2) _____ stronger. The glass company Corning makes Gorilla Glass. This has (3) _____ smartphones for many years. It has (4) _____ to make it more difficult to scratch, crack or smash. It can survive (5) _____ to two metres without any damage. It is also (6) _____ against scratches than any other glass.

A Corning spokesperson spoke about (7) _____. He said: "Dropped phones (8) _____ broken phones." He said it (9) _____ make glass that could survive higher drops and be more difficult to scratch. He added that instead (10) _____ making the glass better (11) _____ or scratches, it would be better to focus on improving both. The new glass will debut on Samsung products "in (12) _____".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SMARTPHONE GLASS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about smartphone glass 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) _____

