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India and Russia share chess gold medal after Internet fails

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

THE READING

The gold medal for a chess tournament went to India and Russia. This year's tournament was online for the first time because of coronavirus. Games in the final ended when players lost their Internet connection. Officials said they gave the gold medal to the two countries because that was fair.

The competition had teams from over 160 countries. A player from Armenia had a technical problem. Officials rejected his appeal so Armenia went home in protest. Officials said a, "global Internet outage severely affected" two of the Indian players in the final. This happened, "when the outcome of the match was still unclear".

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

1.	a chess	a.	time
2.	This year's tournament	b.	was fair
3.	for the first	c.	connection
4.	because of	d.	was online
5.	Games in the final	e.	tournament
6.	players lost their Internet	f.	the two countries
7.	they gave the gold medal to	g.	coronavirus
8.	because that	h.	ended

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1.	teams from	a.	players
2.	a technical	b.	protest
3.	Officials rejected his	c.	was still unclear
4.	went home in	d.	appeal
5.	a global Internet	e.	final
6.	two of the Indian	f.	over 160 countries
7.	in the	g.	outage
8.	the outcome of the match	h.	problem

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

The gold medal (1) _____ tournament went to India and Russia. This year's tournament (2) _____ the first time because of coronavirus. Games (3) _____ ended when players (4) _____ connection. Officials (5) _____ the gold medal to the two countries because (6) _____.

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PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CHESS SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about chess 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

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

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