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Level 4 – 22nd October, 2020

'Demon Slayer' movie breaks Japan's box office records

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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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Cinemas worldwide are struggling to survive, but those in Japan have smashed box office records. Despite social distancing, the animated film 'Demon Slayer' has just seen the biggest box office weekend in Japan's history. It more than doubled the previous record. It also had the biggest opening weekend anywhere in the world. Ticket sales last weekend were more than all other countries combined. Japanese cinemas made \$44 million on ticket sales.

The movie is based on a smash-hit manga - a Japanese-style comic book. The story takes place in early 20th-century Japan. A young man joins a group of warriors to get revenge on demons that killed his family and cursed his sister. It is the latest series to become a phenomenon in Japan. The 22-volume manga sold over 100 million copies. It is one of the most successful manga ever. A Japan expert said: "Even people over 50...really like it."

Sources: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/10/20/business/demon-slayer-japan-movie.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Cinemas worldwide are | a. on ticket sales |
| 2. smashed | b. distancing |
| 3. social | c. anywhere |
| 4. the animated | d. struggling to survive |
| 5. It more than doubled the | e. combined |
| 6. the biggest opening weekend | f. box office records |
| 7. more than all other countries | g. film |
| 8. cinemas made \$44 million | h. previous record |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The movie is based on a | a. manga ever |
| 2. The story takes place in early | b. group of warriors |
| 3. A young man joins a | c. a phenomenon |
| 4. cursed | d. like it |
| 5. the latest series to become | e. smash-hit manga |
| 6. The 22- | f. 20th-century Japan |
| 7. one of the most successful | g. volume manga |
| 8. Even people over 50 really | h. his sister |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Cinemas worldwide are (1) _____, but those in Japan have smashed box office records. (2) _____, the animated film 'Demon Slayer' (3) _____ the biggest box office weekend in Japan's history. It (4) _____ the previous record. It also had the biggest (5) _____ in the world. Ticket sales last weekend were more than all other countries combined. Japanese cinemas made \$44 million (6) _____.

The movie (7) _____ a smash-hit manga - a Japanese-style comic book. The story (8) _____ early 20th-century Japan. A young man joins a (9) _____ to get revenge on demons that killed his family and (10) _____. It is the latest series to become (11) _____ Japan. The 22-volume manga sold over 100 million copies. It is one of the most successful manga ever. A (12) _____: "Even people over 50...really like it."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ANIME SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about anime 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) _____

