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Level 1 – 15th December, 2020

Metal detecting finds ancient treasure in U.K.

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

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THE READING

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The British Museum reported record levels of historical discoveries. People found more than 47,000 objects. People used metal detectors in the countryside to find old coins and other treasure. Metal detecting is a good hobby during coronavirus because social distancing is easy. People put their discoveries on an app on the museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength to strength."

The museum said that perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are coins. Someone found 50 South African solid gold coins near London. Another find contained gold coins and one silver coin with the faces of British kings. These coins were buried in the 16th century. Another find was from ancient Roman furniture from AD 43-200. It had the face of the god Oceanus on it. The museum said the finds are important for understanding Britain's past.

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/style/article/lockdown-garden-archaeology-trnd/index.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. The British Museum reported | a. museum's website |
| 2. historical | b. to strength |
| 3. People found more | c. other treasure |
| 4. People used metal | d. discoveries |
| 5. old coins and | e. distancing |
| 6. social | f. record levels |
| 7. an app on the | g. detectors |
| 8. growing from strength | h. than 47,000 objects |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. the best find among | a. Oceanus on it |
| 2. solid gold | b. in the 16th century |
| 3. the faces | c. past |
| 4. These coins were buried | d. coins |
| 5. ancient Roman | e. are important |
| 6. It had the face of the god | f. the new discoveries |
| 7. The museum said the finds | g. furniture |
| 8. understanding Britain's | h. of British kings |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting-1.html>

The British Museum reported (1) _____ historical discoveries. People (2) _____ 47,000 objects. People used metal detectors in the countryside (3) _____ coins and other treasure. Metal detecting is a (4) _____ coronavirus because social distancing is easy. People put their discoveries (5) _____ on the museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from (6) _____."

The museum said that perhaps the (7) _____ the new discoveries are coins. Someone found 50 South African solid (8) _____ London. Another find contained gold coins and one silver coin with (9) _____ British kings. These coins (10) _____ the 16th century. Another find (11) _____ Roman furniture from AD 43-200. It had the face of the god Oceanus on it. The museum said the (12) _____ for understanding Britain's past.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TREASURE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about treasure 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) _____

