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Level 0 – 5th February, 2021

Jeff Bezos stepping down as Amazon CEO

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

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THE READING

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Amazon boss Jeff Bezos, 57, will stop being CEO. He will be Amazon's executive chair. The new CEO is the head of Amazon's cloud computing business. Mr Bezos started Amazon in his garage in 1995. It started as an online bookseller. Now it is a global marketplace. It streams music and makes electronics and devices.

Amazon is one of the world's most valuable companies. Mr Bezos is one of the world's richest people. He said Amazon was only an idea 27 years ago. It had no name. He said: "Today, we employ 1.3 million...people, serve hundreds of millions of customers...and are...one of the most successful companies in the world."

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/2021/02/02/tech/amazon-earnings-bezos/index.html>
<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/02/02/technology/jeff-bezos-amazon.html>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/business-55912878>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Amazon | a. marketplace |
| 2. He will be Amazon's executive | b. boss Jeff Bezos |
| 3. cloud | c. devices |
| 4. Bezos started Amazon | d. chair |
| 5. It started as an | e. music |
| 6. Now it is a global | f. in his garage |
| 7. It streams | g. online bookseller |
| 8. electronics and | h. computing |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. one of the world's most | a. million people |
| 2. one of the world's richest | b. ago |
| 3. Amazon was only | c. of customers |
| 4. 27 years | d. valuable companies |
| 5. It had no | e. of millions |
| 6. we employ 1.3 | f. people |
| 7. serve hundreds | g. name |
| 8. millions | h. an idea |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Amazon boss Jeff Bezos, 57, (1) _____ CEO. He will be Amazon's executive chair. The (2) _____ the head of Amazon's (3) _____. Mr Bezos started Amazon in (4) _____ 1995. It started as an online bookseller. Now it (5) _____ marketplace. It streams (6) _____ electronics and devices.

Amazon is (7) _____ world's most valuable companies. Mr Bezos is one of the (8) _____. He said Amazon was (9) _____ 27 years ago. It had no name. He said: "(10) _____ 1.3 million...people, (11) _____ millions of customers...and are...one of the most successful companies (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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AMAZON.COM SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Amazon.com 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) _____

