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Level 1 – 30th September, 2021

Turtle's walk delays planes at Tokyo airport

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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/2109/210930-turtle-1.html>

Sometimes the weather delays an airplane; other times it's a late passenger. An airport in Japan found a new reason for delays - a small turtle going for a walk. The turtle went for a walk on the runway. A pilot was waiting to take off when he saw the turtle. The airport closed the runway, and that delayed five flights. Airport staff found the turtle. They caught it with a net. The staff said it was safe and was not hurt.

The airport said the turtle lived in a nearby pond. It got under the airport fence and walked onto the runway. It might have decided to walk in the warm weather. After staff caught the turtle, an A380 airplane took off. The plane was from the Japanese airline ANA. Strangely, it was painted in a turtle design. The airline said: "Turtles are seen as bringing good luck. We hope this turtle, who came to see the flight off, signals a bright future."

Sources: <https://the-japan-news.com/news/article/0007810712>
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2021/sep/28/turtle-slow-moving-reptile-delays-five-planes-at-japan-airport>
<https://simpleflying.com/tokyo-tortoise-trouble/>

PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2109/210930-turtle-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Sometimes the weather delays | a. a walk |
| 2. An airport in Japan found a | b. with a net |
| 3. a small turtle going for | c. new reason |
| 4. The turtle went for a walk | d. was not hurt |
| 5. that delayed five | e. an airplane |
| 6. Airport staff found | f. flights |
| 7. They caught it | g. on the runway |
| 8. staff said it was safe and | h. the turtle |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. the turtle lived in | a. Japanese airline ANA |
| 2. After staff caught | b. good luck |
| 3. an A380 airplane | c. a nearby pond |
| 4. The plane was from the | d. future |
| 5. it was painted in a | e. took off |
| 6. Turtles are seen as bringing | f. see the flight off |
| 7. this turtle who came to | g. the turtle |
| 8. a bright | h. turtle design |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Sometimes the (1) _____ airplane; other times it's (2) _____. An airport in Japan found a new reason for delays - a small turtle going for a walk. The turtle went for a walk (3) _____. A pilot was waiting (4) _____ when he saw the turtle. The airport (5) _____, and that delayed five flights. Airport staff found the turtle. They (6) _____ a net. The staff said it was safe and was not hurt.

The airport said the turtle lived in (7) _____. It got under the airport fence and walked (8) _____. It might have decided to walk in (9) _____. After staff caught the turtle, an A380 airplane took off. The plane was from (10) _____ ANA. Strangely, it was painted in a turtle design. The airline said: "Turtles are seen as (11) _____. We hope this turtle, who came to see the flight off, (12) _____ future."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2109/210930-turtle-1.html>

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ngforawalk.Theturtlewentforawalkontherunway.Apilotwaswaitingt
otakeoffwhenhesawtheturtle.Theairportclosedtherunway,andthatd
elayedfiveflights.Airportstafffoundtheturtle.Theycaughtitwithanet.
Thestaffsaiditwassafeandwasnothurt.Theairportsaidtheturtlelivedi
nanearbypond.Itgotundertheairportfenceandwalkedontotherunwa
y.Itmighthavedecidedtowalkinthewarmweather.Afterstaffcaughtth
eturtle,anA380airplanetookoff.TheplanewasfromtheJapaneseairlin
eANA.Strangely,itwaspaintedinaturtledesign.Theairlinesaid:"Turtle
sareseenasbringinggoodluck.Wehopethisturtle,whocametoseethefl
ightoff,signalsabrightfuture."

TURTLES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2109/210930-turtle-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about turtles 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) _____

