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**Level 3 – 7th July, 2022**

## **Eiffel Tower full of rust and in need of repair**

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# THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

The Eiffel Tower is one of the world's most famous sights. The 324-metre-tall iron tower attracts millions of tourists to Paris every year. It has been an iconic part of Paris' skyline for 133 years. However, it is showing its age. Engineers recently conducted a survey of the monument. They found that its metal is full of rust. They said it is "in a poor state". They added that if its designer Gustave Eiffel was alive today and saw his creation, "he would have a heart attack". Engineers say there are many cracks in the iron. The tower needs many repairs. A 2016 report on the tower stated there were 698 faults on the tower. These were serious enough to put the tower's long-term future in doubt.

Construction of the Eiffel Tower started in January 1887. It opened to the public on the 31st of March, 1889. It was built to celebrate the 1889 World's Fair in Paris. Builders needed 10,100 tons of iron to make the tower. It was made from 18,000 sections and 2.5 million rivets. The original plan was for the tower to be taken down after 20 years. However, the French government changed its mind and kept it in place. The tower is currently being repainted ahead of the 2024 Olympics. Engineers say painting the metal will not make the rust problem go away. They say the existing paint needs to be completely removed first. However, this will take too long and the tower would lose tourist revenue.

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# WARM-UPS

**1. THE EIFFEL TOWER:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about the Eiffel Tower. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

sights / towers / tourists / skyline / age / engineers / survey / iron / future / in doubt  
construction / the public / celebrate / plan / government / paint / rust / take too long

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. PARIS:** Students A **strongly** believe Paris is the best city in the world to visit; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. SIGHTS:** What are the good and bad things about these kinds of sights? Which ones have you been to? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Good	Bad	My Visits
Towers			
Museums			
Castles			
Mountains			
Theme parks			
Deserts			

**5. TOWER:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "tower". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

**6. CITIES:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best cities to visit at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Paris
- New York
- Sydney
- Cairo
- Nairobi
- Tokyo
- Bangkok
- Rio de Janeiro

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |              |   |
|--------------|---|
| 1. sights    | a. Uncertain; not sure something will happen.   |
| 2. attract   | b. Being very well known.   |
| 3. iconic    | c. Condition.   |
| 4. conducted | d. Interesting places that tourists and visitors go to see in a city, town, or other place. |
| 5. state     | e. Make something that is damaged or broken to be good again.                               |
| 6. repair    | f. Cause to come to a place or join something.  |
| 7. in doubt  | g. Did.   |

## Paragraph 2

- |                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| 8. construction | h. At the present time.  |
| 9. the public   | i. When metal turns a reddish-brown colour because of water or rain. |
| 10. rivet       | j. All of the money a company or organization gets.                  |
| 11. currently   | k. All of the people as a whole.                                     |
| 12. rust        | l. Totally.  |
| 13. completely  | m. A short metal pin to hold together two pieces of metal.           |
| 14. revenue     | n. The action of building something, usually something big.          |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

**1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The Eiffel Tower is the world's most famous sight. **T / F**
2. The Eiffel Tower opened to the public 133 years ago. **T / F**
3. The tower's designer Gustave Eiffel had a heart attack. **T / F**
4. Engineers say the tower needs a few repairs. **T / F**
5. The Eiffel Tower was opened to celebrate World Expo in 1889. **T / F**
6. Builders used 2.5 million rivets to build the tower. **T / F**
7. The original idea for the tower was to take it down after 20 years. **T / F**
8. Engineers say repainting the tower will make the rust disappear. **T / F**

**2. SYNONYM MATCH:** (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- |                        |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| 1. <b>famous</b>       | a. building    |
| 2. <b>tourists</b>     | b. important   |
| 3. <b>conducted</b>    | c. disappear   |
| 4. <b>repairs</b>      | d. carried out |
| 5. <b>serious</b>      | e. income      |
| 6. <b>construction</b> | f. well known  |
| 7. <b>original</b>     | g. before      |
| 8. <b>ahead of</b>     | h. fixes       |
| 9. <b>go away</b>      | i. first       |
| 10. <b>revenue</b>     | j. visitors    |

**3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- |  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| 1. It has been an iconic part          | a. to the public       |
| 2. They found that its metal is full   | b. faults on the tower |
| 3. Engineers say there are many cracks | c. repainted           |
| 4. there were 698                      | d. of Paris' skyline   |
| 5. put the tower's long-term future    | e. tourist revenue     |
| 6. It opened                           | f. in the iron         |
| 7. Builders needed 10,100              | g. away                |
| 8. The tower is currently being        | h. in doubt            |
| 9. make the rust problem go            | i. tons of iron        |
| 10. the tower would lose               | j. of rust             |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

The Eiffel Tower is one of the world's most famous (1) \_\_\_\_\_. The 324-metre-tall iron tower (2) \_\_\_\_\_ millions of tourists to Paris every year. It has been an iconic part of Paris' skyline for 133 years. However, it is showing its (3) \_\_\_\_\_. Engineers recently conducted a survey of the monument. They found that its metal is (4) \_\_\_\_\_ of rust. They said it is "in a poor state". They added that if its designer Gustave Eiffel was (5) \_\_\_\_\_ today and saw his creation, "he would have a heart attack". Engineers say there are many (6) \_\_\_\_\_ in the iron. The tower needs many repairs. A 2016 (7) \_\_\_\_\_ on the tower stated there were 698 faults on the tower. These were serious enough to put the tower's long-term future in (8) \_\_\_\_\_.

*cracks*  
*age*  
*sights*  
*doubt*  
*attracts*  
*alive*  
*report*  
*full*

Construction of the Eiffel Tower started in January 1887. It opened to the (9) \_\_\_\_\_ on the 31st of March, 1889. It was built to (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the 1889 World's Fair in Paris. Builders needed 10,100 tons of iron to make the tower. It was made from 18,000 sections and 2.5 million (11) \_\_\_\_\_. The (12) \_\_\_\_\_ plan was for the tower to be taken down after 20 years. However, the French government changed its mind and kept it in place. The tower is (13) \_\_\_\_\_ being repainted ahead of the 2024 Olympics. Engineers say painting the metal will not make the rust (14) \_\_\_\_\_ go away. They say the existing paint needs to be completely (15) \_\_\_\_\_ first. However, this will take too long and the tower would lose (16) \_\_\_\_\_ revenue.

*original*  
*celebrate*  
*tourist*  
*currently*  
*rivets*  
*removed*  
*public*  
*problem*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

- 1) The Eiffel Tower is one of the world's \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. most famous sights
  - b. must famous sights
  - c. mast famous sights
  - d. mist famous sights
- 2) an iconic part of Paris' skyline for 133 years. However, it is \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. showing it sage
  - b. showing its sage
  - c. showing its age
  - d. showing it's age
- 3) Engineers say there are many cracks in the iron. The tower \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. needs many reap airs
  - b. needs many rip pairs
  - c. needs many rip pears
  - d. needs many repairs
- 4) A 2016 report on the tower stated there \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. were 695 faults
  - b. were 696 faults
  - c. were 697 faults
  - d. were 698 faults
- 5) These were serious enough to put the tower's long-term \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. future at doubt
  - b. future on doubt
  - c. future an doubt
  - d. future in doubt
- 6) It was made from 18,000 sections and \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. 2.5 million rabbits
  - b. 2.5 million rivets
  - c. 2.5 million lipids
  - d. 2.5 million live its
- 7) However, the French government changed its mind and kept \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. it in place
  - b. it on place
  - c. it an place
  - d. it unplace
- 8) The tower is currently being repainted ahead of \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. the 2024 Olympic
  - b. the 2024 Olympics
  - c. a 2024 Olympics
  - d. them 2024 Olympics
- 9) Engineers say painting the metal will not make the rust \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. problem come away
  - b. problem go away
  - c. problem goer way
  - d. problem go way
- 10) However, this will take too long and the tower would \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. lose tourist review
  - b. lose tourist rev anew
  - c. lose tourist rev a new
  - d. lose tourist revenue

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

The Eiffel Tower is one of the world's (1) \_\_\_\_\_. The 324-metre-tall iron tower attracts millions of tourists to Paris every year. It has been an (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Paris' skyline for 133 years. However, it is showing its age. Engineers recently conducted (3) \_\_\_\_\_ the monument. They found that its metal is full of rust. They said it is "in a poor state". They added that if its designer Gustave Eiffel (4) \_\_\_\_\_ and saw his creation, "he would have a heart attack". Engineers say there are many (5) \_\_\_\_\_ iron. The tower needs many repairs. A 2016 report on the tower stated there were 698 faults on the tower. These were serious enough to put the tower's long-term (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

Construction of the Eiffel Tower started in January 1887. It opened (7) \_\_\_\_\_ on the 31st of March, 1889. It was built to celebrate the 1889 World's Fair in Paris. Builders needed 10,100 (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to make the tower. It was made from 18,000 sections and 2.5 million rivets. The (9) \_\_\_\_\_ for the tower to be taken down after 20 years. However, the French government changed its mind and kept (10) \_\_\_\_\_. The tower is currently being repainted ahead of the 2024 Olympics. Engineers say painting the metal will not make (11) \_\_\_\_\_ go away. They say the existing paint needs to be completely removed first. However, this will take too long and the tower would (12) \_\_\_\_\_.



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

1. How tall is the Eiffel Tower?
2. How old is the Eiffel Tower?
3. What did engineers say the tower was full of?
4. What might Gustave Eiffel have if he were alive today?
5. How many faults were on the tower in 2016?
6. In what year did the Eiffel Tower open to the public?
7. How many rivers were used to make the tower?
8. How long was the tower originally designed to stand for?
9. What is the tower being repainted for?
10. What would the tower lose if it was closed to take the paint off?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

- 1) How tall is the Eiffel Tower?
  - a) 342 metres
  - b) 423 metres
  - c) 234 metres
  - d) 324 metres
- 2) How old is the Eiffel Tower?
  - a) 132 years old
  - b) 133 years old
  - c) 135 years old
  - d) 134 years old
- 3) What did engineers say the tower was full of?
  - a) screws
  - b) nails
  - c) air
  - d) rust
- 4) What might Gustave Eiffel have if he were alive today?
  - a) hope
  - b) pride
  - c) a heart attack
  - d) an honor
- 5) How many faults were on the tower in 2016?
  - a) 968
  - b) 689
  - c) 896
  - d) 698
- 6) In what year did the Eiffel Tower open to the public?
  - a) 1898
  - b) 1886
  - c) 1889
  - d) 1888
- 7) How many rivers were used to make the tower?
  - a) 2.5 million
  - b) 3.5 million
  - c) 12.5 million
  - d) 7.5 million
- 8) How long was the tower originally designed to stand for?
  - a) 2 years
  - b) 12 years
  - c) 20 years
  - d) 200 years
- 9) What is the tower being repainted for?
  - a) Bastille Day
  - b) the 2024 Olympics
  - c) the return of tourism
  - d) a festival of romance
- 10) What would the tower lose if it was closed to take the paint off?
  - a) revenue
  - b) the number one spot
  - c) workers
  - d) time

# ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

## **Role A – Paris**

You think Paris is the best city to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their cities. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): New York, Tokyo or Cairo.

## **Role B – New York**

You think New York is the best city to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their cities. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Paris, Tokyo or Cairo.

## **Role C – Tokyo**

You think Tokyo is the best city to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their cities. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): New York, Paris or Cairo.

## **Role D – Cairo**

You think Cairo is the best city to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their cities. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): New York, Tokyo or Paris.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'Paris' and 'tower'.

Paris	tower

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• most</li><li>• iconic</li><li>• recently</li><li>• poor</li><li>• needs</li><li>• 698</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1887</li><li>• 10,100</li><li>• 2.5</li><li>• 20</li><li>• 2024</li><li>• lose</li></ul>
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# THE EIFFEL TOWER SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

Write five GOOD questions about the Eiffel Tower 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.

# THE EIFFEL TOWER DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Paris'?
3. What do you know about the Eiffel Tower?
4. Why is the Eiffel Tower so popular?
5. Should Paris make all repairs to the tower?
6. What great sights are there in your country?
7. How romantic is the Eiffel Tower?
8. What photos of the Eiffel Tower would you like to take?
9. What three adjectives best describe the Eiffel Tower?
10. How would you feel if the Eiffel Tower was removed?

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# THE EIFFEL TOWER DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'Eiffel Tower'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you think of the Eiffel Tower?
15. Do you think the Eiffel Tower is a good tourist sight?
16. What do you think of the city of Paris?
17. Have you ever seen the Eiffel Tower in movies?
18. What would you like to do at the Eiffel Tower?
19. What's the best tourist sight in the world?
20. What questions would you like to ask the owners of the Eiffel Tower?

## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

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**Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.**

- |     |              |              |                |                 |
|-----|--------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1.  | (a) famously | (b) infamous | (c) famous     | (d) fame        |
| 2.  | (a) iconic   | (b) ironic   | (c) ironing    | (d) icicle      |
| 3.  | (a) age      | (b) birth    | (c) old        | (d) years       |
| 4.  | (a) poor     | (b) poverty  | (c) penniless  | (d) destitution |
| 5.  | (a) neither  | (b) many     | (c) any        | (d) much        |
| 6.  | (a) vaults   | (b) baulks   | (c) attacks    | (d) faults      |
| 7.  | (a) pubs     | (b) pub      | (c) public     | (d) publicity   |
| 8.  | (a) tens     | (b) tans     | (c) tins       | (d) tons        |
| 9.  | (a) original | (b) origins  | (c) originated | (d) originally  |
| 10. | (a) mind     | (b) brain    | (c) think      | (d) head        |
| 11. | (a) heading  | (b) ahead    | (c) header     | (d) heads       |
| 12. | (a) review   | (b) avenue   | (c) revenue    | (d) people      |



# SPELLING

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## Paragraph 1

1. trttacas millions of tourists
2. an cconii part of Paris' skyline
3. a sevryu of the monument
4. The tower needs many rseirpa
5. there were 698 tslufa on the tower
6. in otbdu

## Paragraph 2

7. It opened to the ubpicl
8. teabrleec the 1889 World's Fair
9. The riagolin plan
10. The tower is rtulnycer being repainted
11. the exsntgii paint
12. lose tourist rveeneu

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

**Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) make the rust problem go away. They say the existing paint needs to be completely
- ( ) tons of iron to make the tower. It was made from 18,000 sections and 2.5 million rivets. The original plan was for the tower to
- ( ) age. Engineers recently conducted a survey of the monument. They found that its metal is full
- ( ) of rust. They said it is "in a poor state". They added that if its designer Gustave Eiffel was alive
- ( ) removed first. However, this will take too long and the tower would lose tourist revenue.
- ( ) of tourists to Paris every year. It has been an iconic part of Paris' skyline for 133 years. However, it is showing its
- ( ) be taken down after 20 years. However, the French government changed its mind and kept it in place. The tower is currently
- ( ) Construction of the Eiffel Tower started in January 1887. It opened to the public
- ( ) there were 698 faults on the tower. These were serious enough to put the tower's long-term future in doubt.
- ( ) on the 31st of March, 1889. It was built to celebrate the 1889 World's Fair in Paris. Builders needed 10,100
- ( ) being repainted ahead of the 2024 Olympics. Engineers say painting the metal will not
- ( **1** ) The Eiffel Tower is one of the world's most famous sights. The 324-metre-tall iron tower attracts millions
- ( ) today and saw his creation, "he would have a heart attack". Engineers say there are many
- ( ) cracks in the iron. The tower needs many repairs. A 2016 report on the tower stated

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

1. sights . most world's the famous It's of one
2. part skyline . Paris' an of been iconic It's
3. conducted Engineers recently survey monument . a the of
4. cracks Engineers in the iron . are there say
5. doubt . tower's Put future long-term the in
6. Fair . built World's the celebrate to was It
7. needed tons of it . Builders make iron to
8. government its changed the French mind . However,
9. problem go away It rust the make won't
10. completely needs paint removed . be existing The to

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2207/220707-eiffel-tower.html>

The Eiffel Tower is *one / once* of the world's most famous sights. The 324-metre-tall iron tower *attractions / attracts* millions of tourists to Paris every year. It has been an *iconic / icon* part of Paris' skyline for 133 years. However, it is showing its *old / age*. Engineers recently conducted a *survey / scurvey* of the monument. They found that its metal is full of *trust / rust*. They said it is "in a poor state". They added that if its designer Gustave Eiffel was alive today and saw his *create / creation*, "he would have a heart attack". Engineers say there are many cracks in the iron. The tower needs many *repair / repairs*. A 2016 report on the tower stated there were 698 faults *on / at* the tower. These were serious enough to put the tower's long-term future *on / in* doubt.

Construction of the Eiffel Tower started *in / at* January 1887. It opened to the public on the 31st of March, 1889. It was built *for / to* celebrate the 1889 World's Fair in Paris. Builders needed 10,100 tons *of / on* iron to make the tower. It was made *from / as* 18,000 sections and 2.5 million rivets. The original plan was for the tower to be *taken / taking* down after 20 years. However, the French government changed its *brain / mind* and kept it in *peace / place*. The tower is currently being repainted *heading / ahead* of the 2024 Olympics. Engineers say painting the metal will not make the rust problem *go / gone* away. They say the existing paint needs to be completely removed first. However, this will take too long and the tower would *lost / lose* tourist revenue.

**Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.**

# INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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construction of the eiffel tower started in january 1887 it opened to the public on the 31st of march 1889 it was built to celebrate the 1889 worlds fair in paris builders needed 10100 tons of iron to make the tower it was made from 18000 sections and 25 million rivets the original plan was for the tower to be taken down after 20 years however the french government changed its mind and kept it in place the tower is currently being repainted ahead of the 2024 olympics engineers say painting the metal will not make the rust problem go away they say the existing paint needs to be completely removed first however this will take too long and the tower would lose tourist revenue

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# HOMework

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. THE EIFFEL TOWER:** Make a poster about the Eiffel Tower. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. SIGHTS:** Write a magazine article about requiring all cities to have a great sight. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to an expert on the Eiffel Tower. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions on it. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. d    2. f    3. b    4. g    5. c    6. e    7. a  
8. n    9. k    10. m    11. h    12. i    13. l    14. j

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F    2 T    3 F    4 F    5 F    6 T    7 T    8 F

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. f	2. j	3. d	4. h	5. b
6. a	7. i	8. g	9. c	10. e

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- 324 metres
- 133 years old
- Rust
- A heart attack
- 698
- 1889
- 2.5 million
- Twenty years
- The 2024 Olympics
- Revenue

## WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

- It's one of the world's most famous sights.
- It's been an iconic part of Paris' skyline.
- Engineers recently conducted a survey of the monument.
- Engineers say there are cracks in the iron.
- Put the tower's long-term future in doubt.
- It was built to celebrate the World's Fair.
- Builders needed tons of iron to make it.
- However, the French government changed its mind.
- It won't make the rust problem go away
- The existing paint needs to be completely removed.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. d    2. b    3. d    4. c    5. d    6. c    7. a    8. c    9. b    10. a

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.  
(It's good for your English ;-)