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Level 5 – 26th June 2023

Mark Zuckerberg and Elon Musk to fight in a cage

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Tech rivals Elon Musk and Mark Zuckerberg often try to outdo each other in business. They compete with each other to amass the most money or attract the most followers. Their rivalry intensified this week as the two multi-billionaires agreed to a fist fight. Twitter owner Mr Musk challenged Mr Zuckerberg to a "cage match". It is reported that the punch-up between the richest and tenth richest men in the world is because Meta's Zuckerberg wants to create a social media platform to rival Twitter. The fight could take place in a mixed martial arts cage in Las Vegas.

The Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) could arrange the fight. The UFC president said the event could be the most profitable ever. He said: "This would be the biggest fight in history....It would break all pay-per-view records." Viewers might have to pay \$100 to watch the bout. It is unclear who is favourite to win the fight. Zuckerberg trains in martial arts and recently won gold in a tournament. Musk joked about his secret weapon. He said: "I have this great move that I call 'The Walrus'. I just lie on top of my opponent and do nothing."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. try to outdo each other | a. to rival Twitter |
| 2. They compete with | b. most money |
| 3. amass the | c. intensified |
| 4. attract the most | d. a "cage match" |
| 5. Their rivalry | e. each other |
| 6. the two multi-billionaires agreed | f. followers |
| 7. challenged Mr Zuckerberg to | g. to a fist fight |
| 8. a social media platform | h. in business |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. the event could be the most | a. in a tournament |
| 2. It would break all pay- | b. favourite to win |
| 3. It is unclear who is | c. profitable ever |
| 4. Zuckerberg trains | d. move |
| 5. won gold | e. weapon |
| 6. Musk joked about his secret | f. and do nothing |
| 7. I have this great | g. per-view records |
| 8. lie on top of my opponent | h. in martial arts |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Tech rivals Elon Musk and Mark Zuckerberg often (1) _____ each other in business. They compete with each other to amass the most money (2) _____ most followers. Their (3) _____ week as the two multi-billionaires agreed to (4) _____. Twitter owner Mr Musk challenged Mr Zuckerberg to a "cage match". It is reported (5) _____ between the richest and tenth richest men in the world is because Meta's Zuckerberg wants to create a social media platform to rival Twitter. The fight could take place in (6) _____ arts cage in Las Vegas.

The Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) (7) _____ fight. The UFC president said the event could be the (8) _____. He said: "This would be the biggest fight in history....It would break all (9) _____ records." Viewers might have to pay \$100 to watch the bout. It is unclear who (10) _____ win the fight. Zuckerberg trains in martial arts and recently won gold in a tournament. Musk joked about (11) _____. He said: "I have this great move that I call 'The Walrus'. I just lie on top of (12) _____ do nothing."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FIGHTS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about fights 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **fights** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
