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World's tallest bridge opens in China

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A record-breaking bridge has opened in China. The Huajiang Grand Canyon Bridge in Guizhou Province is the world's tallest bridge. It stands at a height of 625 metres. The 2,890-metre-long bridge also has the longest span of any bridge ever constructed in the mountains. Its main span stretches 1,420 metres. The bridge will greatly improve the rural economy. It will also cut the travel time between the two sides of the bridge from two hours to two minutes.

China is an expert in bridge-building. It built the 18 tallest bridges in the world. The top three are in Guizhou, which also has another 32,000 spans. Half of the 100 highest bridges in the world are in Guizhou. The Huajiang Grand Canyon Bridge is full of cutting-edge engineering. A spokesperson said the bridge would become a sightseeing spot and attract a million visitors a year. It has a cafe, a geological museum, and a bungee-jumping centre.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. A record- | a. stretches 1,420 metres |
| 2. It stands | b. of any bridge |
| 3. the longest span | c. sides of the bridge |
| 4. constructed in | d. breaking bridge |
| 5. Its main span | e. the travel time |
| 6. The bridge will greatly improve | f. at a height of 625 metres |
| 7. It will also cut | g. the rural economy |
| 8. the two | h. the mountains |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. China is an expert | a. edge engineering |
| 2. It built the 18 | b. in the world |
| 3. The top | c. museum |
| 4. Half of the 100 highest bridges | d. three are in Guizhou |
| 5. full of cutting- | e. million visitors a year |
| 6. a sightseeing | f. in bridge-building |
| 7. attract a | g. spot |
| 8. a geological | h. tallest bridges in the world |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A record-(1) _____ opened in China. The Huaijiang Grand Canyon Bridge in Guizhou Province is the world's tallest bridge. It stands (2) _____ of 625 metres. The 2,890-metre-long bridge also has (3) _____ of any bridge ever constructed in the mountains. Its (4) _____ 1,420 metres. The bridge will greatly (5) _____ economy. It will also cut the travel time between (6) _____ of the bridge from two hours to two minutes.

China is (7) _____ bridge-building. It built the 18 tallest bridges in the world. The top (8) _____ Guizhou, which also has another 32,000 spans. (9) _____ 100 highest bridges in the world are in Guizhou. The Huaijiang Grand Canyon Bridge is (10) _____-edge engineering. A spokesperson said the bridge would become a sightseeing spot and (11) _____ visitors a year. It has a cafe, (12) _____, and a bungee-jumping centre.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BRIDGES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about bridges 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 **bridges** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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