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Level 4 – 3rd November 2025

Grand Egyptian Museum opens in Cairo

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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 new museum has opened in Cairo, Egypt. The Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM) held an opening ceremony on Saturday. Many dignitaries attended it. Egypt's president said GEM will "become an international cultural and scientific hub" and help Egypt's tourism industry. Authorities hailed the \$1.2 billion museum as "Egypt's gift to the world". A tour guide hopes it will "usher in a new golden age of Egyptology". GEM offers panoramic views of the Pyramids.

GEM is the world's largest archaeological site dedicated to an ancient civilisation. It has over 50,000 exhibits. A giant 3,200-year-old, 11-metre-tall statue of the Ramesses the Great is in the entrance. GEM also houses the whole Tutankhamun collection. This was unearthed in 1922 in Luxor. Officials hope GEM will mean the return of Egyptian antiquities held in other countries, especially the Rosetta Stone, which is in the British Museum.

Sources: <https://www.arabnews.com/node/2620817/middle-east>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A new | a. to the world |
| 2. an opening | b. attended it |
| 3. Many dignitaries | c. industry |
| 4. an international cultural and | d. ceremony |
| 5. help Egypt's tourism | e. age of Egyptology |
| 6. Egypt's gift | f. museum has opened |
| 7. usher in a new golden | g. views |
| 8. panoramic | h. scientific hub |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. the world's largest | a. in the entrance |
| 2. an ancient | b. antiquities |
| 3. It has over 50,000 | c. civilisation |
| 4. Ramesses the Great is | d. countries |
| 5. GEM also houses the whole | e. in 1922 |
| 6. This was unearthed | f. archaeological site |
| 7. the return of Egyptian | g. Tutankhamun collection |
| 8. held in other | h. exhibits |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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EGYPT SURVEY

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

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