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Level 4 – 10th November 2025

Elon Musk set to become world's first trillionaire

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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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Elon Musk is the world's wealthiest person. He is now set to become the very first dollar trillionaire. He was awarded a new pay deal by Tesla shareholders last week. Seventy-five per cent of shareholder votes backed a stratospheric \$1 trillion pay package. It consists of up to 423.7 million shares of Tesla stock over the next 10 years. This would increase Mr Musk's stake in Tesla to almost 29 per cent. It depends on Musk increasing Tesla's market value.

Shareholders backed the deal to stop Mr Musk from leaving Tesla. The Tesla board warned of a "possibility that he may pursue other interests should [the deal] be denied". It said Musk could "achieve goals that others will perceive as impossible". An industry analyst said: "Tesla needs Musk to take it into the autonomous driving, robotic future." Mr Musk hopes to change Tesla's focus to selling self-driving cars, robotaxis, and humanoid autonomous robots.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. He was awarded a | a. shareholder votes |
| 2. Seventy-five per cent of | b. market value |
| 3. a stratospheric | c. next 10 years |
| 4. 423.7 million shares of | d. new pay deal |
| 5. over the | e. Tesla stock |
| 6. increase Mr Musk's stake in Tesla | f. on Musk |
| 7. It depends | g. \$1 trillion pay package |
| 8. increasing Tesla's | h. to almost 29 per cent |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. shareholders | a. to selling self-driving cars |
| 2. the Tesla | b. denied |
| 3. he may pursue other | c. backed the deal |
| 4. should the deal be | d. robots |
| 5. achieve goals that others | e. board |
| 6. an industry | f. will perceive as impossible |
| 7. change Tesla's focus | g. analyst |
| 8. humanoid autonomous | h. interests |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Elon Musk is the world's wealthiest person. He is now

(1) _____ the very first dollar trillionaire. He was

(2) _____ pay deal by Tesla shareholders last

week. Seventy-five per cent of shareholder votes

(3) _____ \$1 trillion pay package. It consists of up

to 423.7 million shares of Tesla (4) _____ next 10

years. (5) _____ Mr Musk's stake in Tesla to

almost 29 per cent. (6) _____ Musk increasing

Tesla's market value.

Shareholders (7) _____ to stop Mr Musk from

leaving Tesla. The Tesla (8) _____ a "possibility

that he may (9) _____ should [the deal] be

denied". It said Musk could "achieve goals that others will

(10) _____". An industry analyst said: "Tesla needs

Musk to take it into the autonomous (11) _____."

Mr Musk hopes to change Tesla's focus to selling self-driving cars,

(12) _____ autonomous robots.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BEING A TRILLIONAIRE SURVEY

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

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