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Level 5 – 10th November 2025

Elon Musk set to become world's first trillionaire

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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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Elon Musk is the world's wealthiest person. He is set to become even richer and become the very first dollar trillionaire. He was awarded a new remuneration package by Tesla shareholders at the company's annual general meeting (AGM) last week. Seventy-five per cent of shareholder votes backed a stratospheric pay deal of \$1 trillion. 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 from about 13 per cent to almost 29 per cent. It depends on Musk increasing Tesla's market value to \$8.5 trillion.

Shareholders were encouraged to back the deal to stop Mr Musk from potentially leaving Tesla. The Tesla board warned of a "possibility that he may pursue other interests should [the deal] be denied". It said Musk was needed "to achieve goals that others will perceive as impossible, but that we know are possible for Tesla". An industry analyst agreed. He wrote: "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, "Cybercab" robotaxis, and "Optimus" humanoid bi-pedal autonomous robots.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. become the very first dollar | a. 10 years |
| 2. He was awarded a new remuneration | b. trillionaire |
| 3. at the company's annual | c. value to \$8.5 trillion |
| 4. a stratospheric | d. general meeting |
| 5. It consists of up to 423.7 million | e. pay deal of \$1 trillion |
| 6. over the next | f. stake in Tesla |
| 7. This would increase Mr Musk's | g. shares of Tesla stock |
| 8. increasing Tesla's market | h. package |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ even richer and become the very
first dollar trillionaire. He was awarded
(2) _____ package by Tesla shareholders at
the company's (3) _____ (AGM) last week.
Seventy-five per cent of shareholder votes backed a
(4) _____ of \$1 trillion. It consists of up to
423.7 million shares of Tesla stock over the next 10 years.
(5) _____ Mr Musk's stake in Tesla from about
13 per cent to almost 29 per cent. (6) _____
Musk increasing Tesla's market value to \$8.5 trillion.

Shareholders were (7) _____ the deal to stop
Mr Musk from potentially leaving Tesla. The Tesla board warned of a
"possibility that he may (8) _____ should [the
deal] be denied". It said Musk was needed "to achieve goals that
others will (9) _____, but that we know are
possible for Tesla". An (10) _____. He wrote:
"Tesla needs Musk to take it into the autonomous
(11) _____." Mr Musk hopes to change Tesla's
(12) _____ self-driving cars, "Cybercab"
robotaxis, and "Optimus" humanoid bi-pedal 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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