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Level 0

Wikipedia may become million-page book

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THE READING

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A company will print the 4.3 million articles and 2.6 billion words from Wikipedia.com. There will be 1,000 books. Each book will have 1,200 pages. The 1.2 million pages will start from number one and end at number 1,193,014. It needs \$50,000 to print the first copy. It already printed book number one.

People are asking who wants a book of Wikipedia. It will be out of date. The company wants to show how big Wikipedia is. The best way to do this is by making 1,000 books. This will be a world record. The company wants to take the books on a world tour. After that, it will give them to a library.

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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. 2.6 billion | a. copy |
| 2. There will | b. from number one |
| 3. Each book will | c. words |
| 4. The 1.2 million pages will start | d. have 1,200 pages |
| 5. end at number | e. number one |
| 6. It needs | f. be 1,000 books |
| 7. print the first | g. \$50,000 |
| 8. It already printed book | h. 1,193,014 |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. People are asking who wants | a. Wikipedia is |
| 2. It will be out | b. 1,000 books |
| 3. show how big | c. of date |
| 4. The best way to | d. a book of Wikipedia |
| 5. making | e. to a library |
| 6. This will be a world | f. a world tour |
| 7. take the books on | g. do this |
| 8. give them | h. record |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A (1) _____ the 4.3 million articles and
(2) _____ from Wikipedia.com. There will be
1,000 books. (3) _____ have 1,200 pages. The
1.2 million pages (4) _____ number one and
end at number 1,193,014. (5) _____ to print
the first copy. It (6) _____ number one.

People (7) _____ wants a book of Wikipedia. It
will (8) _____. The company wants to show
how big Wikipedia is. The (9) _____ this is by
making 1,000 books. This will be (10) _____.

The company (11) _____ the books on a world
tour. After that, it will give (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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