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Australian wins at World Pizza Championship

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140415-world-pizza-championship.html>

An Australian chef has won a prize at the World Pizza Championship in Italy. Pizza maker Johnny Di Francesco runs an Italian restaurant in Australia. He scooped the award in the traditional Neapolitan pizza category. He beat dozens of rivals from Italy and all over the world. Italians might be shocked at the thought of an Australian (or indeed any non-Italian) winning. However, they can be happy that Mr Di Francesco has roots in Italy. His family is from Naples, home of the legendary Neapolitan pizza. Furthermore, he trained at the city's prestigious cooking school.

The World Pizza Championship is held annually to determine the world's best pizza makers and artists. It began in 1991 and over 600 chefs enter. Expert judges look at the preparation, taste, bake and presentation of the pizzas. There are also awards for the fastest pizza maker, freestyle acrobatics and the longest dough stretch. The judges this year restored Italian pride by announcing the winner of the best classic pizza was a master chef from south-east Italy. He said it was the pinnacle of his career. He had "craved" the prize since first entering the championship in 2000.

Sources: <http://www.radionz.co.nz/news/world/241499/aussie-beats-italians-to-pizza-prize>
<http://www.thelocal.it/20140411/australia-has-worlds-best-neapolitan-pizza>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Pizza_Championship

MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140415-world-pizza-championship.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. An Australian chef has | a. at the thought |
| 2. Francesco runs | b. of rivals |
| 3. He scooped | c. category |
| 4. the traditional Neapolitan pizza | d. cooking school |
| 5. He beat dozens | e. the award |
| 6. Italians might be shocked | f. in Italy |
| 7. Francesco has roots | g. won a prize |
| 8. the city's prestigious | h. an Italian restaurant |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. held | a. judges |
| 2. determine the world's | b. enter |
| 3. over 600 chefs | c. of his career |
| 4. Expert | d. Italian pride |
| 5. the longest | e. annually |
| 6. The judges this year restored | f. best pizza makers |
| 7. He said it was the pinnacle | g. the prize |
| 8. He had "craved" | h. dough |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140415-world-pizza-championship.html>

An Australian (1) _____ prize at the World Pizza Championship in Italy. Pizza maker Johnny Di Francesco runs an Italian restaurant in Australia. He (2) _____ in the traditional Neapolitan pizza category. He (3) _____ from Italy and all over the world. Italians (4) _____ at the thought of an Australian (or indeed any non-Italian) winning. However, they can be happy that Mr Di Francesco (5) _____. His family is from Naples, home of the legendary Neapolitan pizza. Furthermore, he trained at the (6) _____ school.

The World Pizza Championship is (7) _____ the world's best pizza makers and artists. It began in 1991 and (8) _____. Expert judges look at the preparation, taste, bake and presentation of the pizzas. There (9) _____ the fastest pizza maker, freestyle acrobatics and the (10) _____. The judges this year restored Italian (11) _____ the winner of the best classic pizza was a master chef from south-east Italy. He said it was the pinnacle of his career. He had (12) _____ first entering the championship in 2000.

PIZZA SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140415-world-pizza-championship.html>

Write five GOOD questions about pizza 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) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

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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) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

