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Greenpeace gets Lego to end ties with Shell

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THE READING

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The toy maker Lego said it will no longer continue its \$110 million partnership with the oil company Shell. Lego made toys with the Shell logo on them. Shell sold the toys in its gas stations. Lego decided this after Greenpeace made a video using Lego bricks. It showed Lego people and animals covered in oil after an oil spill. At the end, oil covered everything, except a Shell flag. The video is now Greenpeace's most-watched video in its history.

Over a million people asked Lego to stop working with Shell. Greenpeace was very happy that Lego stopped. It said: "Thanks a million, Lego....We're super happy Lego has finally decided to do the right thing." Lego said it did not want people to think it was bad. It said Greenpeace should speak to Shell. Shell was going to drill in the Arctic last year but stopped because of problems. It does not know if it will drill in 2015.

Sources: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/lego-to-scrap-shell-deal-after-arctic-protest-1.2793537>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. The toy | a. with the oil company |
| 2. its \$110 million partnership | b. spill |
| 3. toys with the Shell | c. everything |
| 4. Shell sold the toys | d. logo on them |
| 5. Greenpeace made a video | e. maker Lego |
| 6. an oil | f. in its gas stations |
| 7. oil covered | g. in its history |
| 8. Greenpeace's most-watched video | h. using Lego bricks |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Over a million people asked | a. think it was bad |
| 2. Greenpeace was | b. million |
| 3. Thanks a | c. do the right thing |
| 4. We're super | d. very happy |
| 5. Lego has finally decided to | e. will drill in 2015 |
| 6. it did not want people to | f. Lego to stop |
| 7. stopped because | g. happy |
| 8. It does not know if it | h. of problems |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The toy maker Lego said (1) _____ continue its \$110 million (2) _____ the oil company Shell. Lego made toys with the Shell (3) _____. Shell sold the toys in its gas stations. Lego decided this after Greenpeace made (4) _____ Lego bricks. It showed Lego people and animals (5) _____ after an oil spill. At the end, oil covered everything, except a Shell flag. The video is now Greenpeace's (6) _____ in its history.

Over a million people asked Lego (7) _____ Shell. Greenpeace was very happy (8) _____. It said: "Thanks a million, Lego.... (9) _____ Lego has finally decided to do the right thing." Lego said it did not want people (10) _____. It said Greenpeace should speak to Shell. Shell (11) _____ in the Arctic last year but stopped because of problems. It does not know (12) _____ 2015.

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)

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)
