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Level 0

Face recognition scanner to stop toilet paper thieves

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A Beijing park started using facial recognition scanners to save toilet paper and stop thieves. They scan people's face and give them 60 cm of toilet paper. You must wait for nine minutes if you want extra paper. Some park visitors took too much toilet paper. The park put up posters asking visitors to use less toilet paper.

There is a surprise. The scanners are now a tourist attraction. Visitors are coming to see them. Videos of people using them have gone viral on the Internet. Staff help people who need more toilet paper. A social media user said: "This is a really good idea." The amount of toilet paper used is down by 20%.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-china-39324431>
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<http://www.straitstimes.com/asia/east-asia/face-scanner-to-wipe-out-toilet-paper-theft>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. stop | a. of toilet paper |
| 2. They scan | b. up posters |
| 3. give them 60 cm | c. extra paper |
| 4. You must wait | d. use less toilet paper |
| 5. if you want | e. people's face |
| 6. visitors took too | f. for nine minutes |
| 7. The park put | g. thieves |
| 8. asking visitors to | h. much toilet paper |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. There is a | a. idea |
| 2. The scanners are now a tourist | b. to see them |
| 3. Visitors are coming | c. on the Internet |
| 4. gone viral | d. people |
| 5. Staff help | e. surprise |
| 6. social | f. is down by 20% |
| 7. This is a really good | g. attraction |
| 8. The amount of toilet paper used | h. media |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A Beijing (1) _____ using facial recognition scanners (2) _____ paper and stop thieves. They scan people's (3) _____ them 60 cm of toilet paper. You (4) _____ nine minutes if you want extra paper. Some park visitors (5) _____ toilet paper. The park (6) _____ asking visitors to use less toilet paper.

(7) _____ surprise. The scanners are now a (8) _____. Visitors are coming (9) _____. Videos of people using them have (10) _____ the Internet. Staff help people who need more toilet paper. A (11) _____ user said: "This is a really good idea." The amount of toilet paper (12) _____ 20%.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TOILET PAPER SURVEY

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