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Level 1 – 24th October, 2018

Longest sea bridge links Hong Kong to China

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The world's longest sea bridge has opened. It links Hong Kong, Macau and mainland China. It is 55 kilometres long and took 10 years to build. There are special islands in the river to support the bridge. There is also a 6.7-kilometre tunnel in the middle. This is for ships to sail over. The new bridge is longer than 14 Golden Gate Bridges. The bridge will cut the travel time between mainland China and Macau by two-and-a-half hours.

China's president attended the opening ceremony. He hopes the bridge will connect 68 million people. Up to 29,000 cars will cross the bridge every day. A trade expert said the increase in goods and passengers will benefit China. Tourists can drive across the bridge, but local car owners must have a special permit. Most drivers will take a shuttle bus across the bridge. This will cost about \$8-\$10 per trip.

Sources: <http://www.latimes.com/world/asia/la-fg-hong-kong-mega-bridge-20181022-story.html>
http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-01/17/c_136902782.htm
<https://abcnews.go.com/International/worlds-longest-sea-bridge-opens-macau-hong-kong/story?id=58662116>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The world's | a. to build |
| 2. mainland | b. time |
| 3. took 10 years | c. in the middle |
| 4. islands in the river to | d. half hours |
| 5. a 6.7-kilometre tunnel | e. China |
| 6. The new bridge is | f. longest sea bridge |
| 7. cut the travel | g. support the bridge |
| 8. by two-and-a- | h. longer |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. opening | a. across the bridge |
| 2. connect | b. trip |
| 3. trade | c. 68 million people |
| 4. passengers will | d. expert |
| 5. Tourists can drive | e. bus |
| 6. car owners must have | f. benefit |
| 7. take a shuttle | g. a special permit |
| 8. This will cost about \$8-\$10 per | h. ceremony |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The world's longest sea bridge has opened. It links Hong Kong, Macau and mainland China. It is 55 kilometres (1) _____ 10 years to build. There are special islands in the river (2) _____ bridge. There is also a 6.7-kilometre tunnel (3) _____. This is for ships to sail over. The new bridge (4) _____ 14 Golden Gate Bridges. The bridge will (5) _____ time between mainland China and Macau by two- (6) _____ hours.

China's president (7) _____ ceremony. He hopes the bridge will (8) _____ people. Up to 29,000 cars will cross the bridge every day. A (9) _____ the increase in goods and passengers will benefit China. Tourists can drive across the bridge, but (10) _____ must have a special permit. Most drivers will take (11) _____ across the bridge. This (12) _____ \$8-\$10 per trip.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BRIDGES SURVEY

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