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Filipino gymnast wins Olympic gold and free ramen

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A gymnast from the Philippines won two gold medals at the Paris Olympics. He is only the second Filipino ever to win gold. Carlos Yulo, 24, won in the men's floor and vault events. He will return to the Philippines as a hero. He will get many gifts. A real estate company will give him a two-bedroom apartment. The Philippine government will give him 10 million Philippine pesos. He will be showered with other gifts. These include free ramen and grilled chicken for life. If this food gives him stomach problems, a medical clinic has offered him free stomach tests.

The Philippines' president congratulated Mr Yulo. He wrote: "No words can express how proud we are of you, Carlos. You have achieved gold for the Philippines. Filipinos all over the world stood united, cheering and rooting for you." Yulo was surprised at winning his medals. After his first medal, he said: "I was just hoping to perform well. I didn't really expect a medal." He said his second "really felt like a bonus for me. I was so hyped because I had won that gold medal the day before". He added: "I dedicate this to all the Filipino people who supported me."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. A gymnast | a. problems |
| 2. He is only the second Filipino ever | b. estate company |
| 3. He will return to the Philippines | c. from the Philippines |
| 4. A real | d. free stomach tests |
| 5. He will be showered | e. to win gold |
| 6. grilled chicken for | f. as a hero |
| 7. If this food gives him stomach | g. life |
| 8. a medical clinic has offered him | h. with other gifts |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. No words can express how | a. felt like a bonus |
| 2. Filipinos all over the world stood | b. the day before |
| 3. I was just hoping to | c. united |
| 4. I didn't really expect | d. hyped |
| 5. his second really | e. a medal |
| 6. I was so | f. the Filipino people |
| 7. I had won that gold medal | g. proud we are |
| 8. I dedicate this to all | h. perform well |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The Philippines' president congratulated Mr Yulo. He wrote: "No words can express (7) _____ are of you, Carlos. You have (8) _____ the Philippines. Filipinos all over the world stood united, cheering and (9) _____." Yulo was surprised at winning his medals. After his first medal, he said: "I was just hoping to perform well. I didn't (10) _____ medal." He said his second "really felt like a bonus for me. I (11) _____ because I had won that gold medal the day before". He added: "I dedicate this to all the Filipino people (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE PARIS OLYMPICS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about the Paris Olympics 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) _____

