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Level 0

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 not work with the oil company Shell. Its \$110 million partnership with Shell is over. Shell sold Lego toys in its gas stations. Lego saw a Greenpeace video. It showed Lego people and animals covered in oil. There was an oil spill. At the end, the Shell flag was flying. It is Greenpeace's most-watched video.

A million people asked Lego to stop working with Shell. Greenpeace was very happy that Lego stopped. It thanked Lego. Lego said it did not want people to think it was bad. Shell wanted to drill in the Arctic last year. It 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>
<http://www.businessinsider.com/lego-ends-shell-deal-after-greenpeace-viral-video-2014-10#ixzz3FhARZXY3>
<http://www.greenpeace.org/international/en/news/Blogs/makingwaves/save-the-arctic-lego-dumps-shell/blog/50917/>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1410/141012-lego-0.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. The toy | a. end |
| 2. Its \$110 million partnership | b. maker Lego |
| 3. Shell sold Lego toys | c. in oil |
| 4. animals covered | d. was flying |
| 5. There was an oil | e. in its gas stations |
| 6. At the | f. watched video |
| 7. the Shell flag | g. with Shell |
| 8. It is Greenpeace's most- | h. spill |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A million people | a. think it was bad |
| 2. stop working | b. asked Lego |
| 3. Greenpeace was very happy | c. Lego |
| 4. It thanked | d. of problems |
| 5. it did not want people to | e. that Lego stopped |
| 6. Shell wanted to drill | f. in 2015 |
| 7. It stopped because | g. with Shell |
| 8. It does not know if it will drill | h. in the Arctic |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ Lego said it will not work with the oil company Shell. Its \$110 (2) _____ with Shell is over. Shell sold Lego toys (3) _____. Lego saw a Greenpeace video. It showed Lego people (4) _____ in oil. There was (5) _____. At the end, the Shell flag was flying. It is Greenpeace's (6) _____.

A million people asked Lego (7) _____ with Shell. Greenpeace was (8) _____ Lego stopped. It thanked Lego. Lego (9) _____ want people to (10) _____. Shell wanted (11) _____ Arctic last year. It stopped because of problems. It does not know (12) _____ 2015.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The toymaker Lego said it will not work with the oil company Shell. Its \$1.1 billion partnership with Shell is over. Shell sold Lego toys in its gas stations. Lego saw a Greenpeace video. It showed Lego people and animals covered in oil. There was an oil spill. At the end, the Shell flag was flying. It is Greenpeace's most-watched video. A million people asked Lego to stop working with Shell. Greenpeace was very happy that Lego stopped. It thanked Lego. Lego said it did not want people to think it was bad. Shell wanted to drill in the Arctic last year. It stopped because of problems. It does not know if it will drill in 2015.

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) _____

