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Level 0

Nicki Minaj to pay college fees for fans

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1705/170510-nicki-minaj-0.html>

Nicki Minaj will pay the tuition fees for 30 of her Twitter fans, if they get A-grades. Ms Minaj will pay thousands of dollars. Minaj asked her fans to: "Show me straight A's that I can [check] with your school." She joked that she might not have any money after paying. One student asked her for \$6,000 to pay for his books and food.

At first, Minaj wanted a fan to join her at a music show. Another fan asked her to pay for his college fees, so her tweets changed. Minaj has sold 20 million singles around the world as a solo singer. A newspaper called her the most important female rapper ever. A Twitter fan called her caring and generous.

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/nicki-minaj-offers-to-pay-college-fees-for-fans-10868506>
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/life/movies/2017/05/07/nicki-minaj-promises-to-pay-fan-college-tuition-twitter/101413018/>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nicki_Minaj

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Minaj will pay the tuition | a. A's |
| 2. 30 of | b. grades |
| 3. if they get A- | c. after paying |
| 4. Ms Minaj will pay thousands | d. with your school |
| 5. Show me straight | e. fees |
| 6. I can check | f. of dollars |
| 7. she might not have any money | g. for his books |
| 8. \$6,000 to pay | h. her Twitter fans |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. At | a. singer |
| 2. join her at a music | b. to pay |
| 3. Another fan asked her | c. generous |
| 4. college | d. first |
| 5. Minaj has sold 20 million singles | e. rapper ever |
| 6. a solo | f. fees |
| 7. the most important female | g. show |
| 8. caring and | h. around the world |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Nicki Minaj will (1) _____ fees for 30 of her Twitter fans, (2) _____ A-grades. Ms Minaj will pay (3) _____ dollars. Minaj asked her fans to: "Show me straight A's (4) _____ [check] with your school." She joked that she might (5) _____ money after paying. One student asked her for \$6,000 to pay for (6) _____ food.

At first, Minaj (7) _____ to join her at a music show. Another fan (8) _____ pay for his college fees, so her tweets changed. Minaj (9) _____ million (10) _____ the world as a solo singer. A newspaper called (11) _____ important female rapper ever. A Twitter fan called (12) _____ generous.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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mightnothaveanymoneyafterpaying.Onestudentaskedherfor\$6,00
0topayforhisbooksandfood.Atfirst,Minajwantedafantojoinheratamu
sicshow.Anotherfanaskedhertopayforhiscollegefees,sohertweetsch
anged.Minajhassold20millionsinglesaroundtheworldasasolosinger.
Anewspapercalledherthemostimportantfemalerapperever.Atwitter
fancalledhercaringandgenerous.

SCHOOL FEES SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1705/170510-nicki-minaj-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about school fees 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) _____

