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Level 0

Egypt archaeologists find large 'city of the dead'

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1803/180301-necropolis-0.html>

Archaeologists found a big cemetery under the sand near Cairo. It is a 2,000-year-old necropolis - a "city of the dead". It has many statues. Archaeologists found tombs belonging to Thoth. He was a god of the moon. People say he invented writing. Egypt's government said: "This is only the beginning of a new discovery."

Archaeologist Mostafa Waziri said he found eight tombs. He will find more. The tombs contain historic treasures. One includes over 1,000 statues and a sarcophagus (a stone coffin). He hopes the necropolis will bring more tourists to Egypt. Fewer have come since the revolution that happened in 2011.

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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1803/180301-necropolis-0.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. a big cemetery | a. invented writing |
| 2. It is a 2,000-year- | b. statues |
| 3. It has many | c. the beginning |
| 4. tombs belonging | d. old necropolis |
| 5. He was a god | e. discovery |
| 6. People say he | f. under the sand |
| 7. This is only | g. of the moon |
| 8. a new | h. to Thoth |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. he found eight | a. come |
| 2. He will | b. 1,000 statues |
| 3. The tombs contain historic | c. to Egypt |
| 4. One includes over | d. find more |
| 5. a stone | e. treasures |
| 6. bring more tourists | f. happened in 2011 |
| 7. Fewer have | g. coffin |
| 8. since the revolution that | h. tombs |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1803/180301-necropolis-0.html>

Archaeologists (1) _____ cemetery under the sand near Cairo. It is a 2,000-year-old necropolis - a "city (2) _____". It has (3) _____.

Archaeologists found (4) _____ to Thoth. He was a god of the moon. People say he (5) _____. Egypt's government said: "This (6) _____ beginning of a new discovery."

Archaeologist Mostafa Waziri said (7) _____ tombs. He (8) _____. The tombs contain (9) _____. One includes over (10) _____ and a sarcophagus (a stone coffin).

He hopes the necropolis will bring (11) _____ to Egypt. Fewer have (12) _____ revolution that happened in 2011.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ANCIENT EGYPT SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1803/180301-necropolis-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about ancient Egypt 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) _____

