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Level 1 – 6th April, 2021

Ocean explorers film world's deepest shipwreck

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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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Ocean explorers filmed the world's deepest known shipwreck for the first time. The World War II battleship, the USS Johnston, was sunk by the Japanese Navy in 1944. The shipwreck is now on the ocean floor, around 6,456 metres deep. The film crew went down to that incredible depth and darkness in a submersible that can deal with the pressure of the deep ocean. The filming took place during two eight-hour dives.

The lead explorer, Victor Vescovo, was in the US Navy and is an adventurer. He has visited hard-to-get-to places. He is the first person ever to get to the top of all the world's continents, both poles, and the bottom of all the world's oceans. His mission to film the USS Johnston was a personal one. He said: "As a US Navy officer, I'm proud to have helped bring clarity and closure to the USS Johnston."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. the world's deepest | a. Japanese Navy |
| 2. The World War II | b. deep |
| 3. sunk by the | c. eight-hour dives |
| 4. The shipwreck is now on the ocean | d. battleship |
| 5. around 6,456 metres | e. ocean |
| 6. went down to that incredible | f. known shipwreck |
| 7. the pressure of the deep | g. depth |
| 8. filming took place during two | h. floor |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. He has visited hard-to- | a. helped |
| 2. the first person | b. world's oceans |
| 3. the top of all the world's | c. get-to places |
| 4. the bottom of all the | d. closure |
| 5. His mission to film | e. officer |
| 6. a US Navy | f. ever |
| 7. I'm proud to have | g. continents |
| 8. bring clarity and | h. the USS Johnston |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2104/210406-shipwreck-1.html>

Ocean explorers (1) _____ deepest known shipwreck for the first time. The World War II battleship, the USS Johnston, (2) _____ the Japanese Navy in 1944. The shipwreck is now on (3) _____, around 6,456 metres deep. The film crew went (4) _____ incredible depth and darkness in a submersible that (5) _____ the pressure of the deep ocean. The filming (6) _____ two eight-hour dives.

The lead explorer, Victor Vescovo, was in the US Navy and (7) _____. He has visited hard-to-get-to places. He is the (8) _____ to get to the top of all the world's continents, (9) _____ the bottom of all the world's oceans. His (10) _____ the USS Johnston was (11) _____. He said: "As a US Navy officer, I'm proud to have helped bring (12) _____ to the USS Johnston."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SHIPWRECKS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2104/210406-shipwreck-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about shipwrecks 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) _____

