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**Level 0** – 21st October, 2021

## Kanye West changes his name to Ye

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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/2110/211021-ye-0.html>

Kanye West has changed his name to Ye. Kanye Omari West is the name on his birth certificate. He has no middle name or surname. Three years ago, he said he was, "the being formerly known as Kanye West". He has had the nickname Ye for a long time. It is the name of his eighth album.

People in California who change their name must publish it in a newspaper. Ye did this four times. Three years ago, he chatted to a radio host about the name Ye. He said it was from the Bible. He added: "I believe "ye" is the most commonly used word in the Bible, and in the Bible, it means "you". So, I'm you, I'm us, it's us."

Sources: <https://www.yahoo.com/entertainment/kanye-west-name-change-ye-194657972.html>  
<https://news.sky.com/story/kanye-west-officially-changes-his-name-to-ye-12437924>  
<https://www.billboard.com/articles/news/9646949/kanye-west-changed-name-ye/>

# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. changed                 | a. certificate      |
| 2. birth                   | b. time             |
| 3. middle name             | c. his name         |
| 4. Three                   | d. his eighth album |
| 5. formerly known          | e. years ago        |
| 6. He has had the nickname | f. or surname       |
| 7. for a long              | g. Ye               |
| 8. the name of             | h. as Kanye West    |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                            |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. People                  | a. Bible           |
| 2. change their            | b. to a radio host |
| 3. publish it in           | c. means "you"     |
| 4. Ye did                  | d. in California   |
| 5. he chatted              | e. a newspaper     |
| 6. He said it was from the | f. used word       |
| 7. the most commonly       | g. this four times |
| 8. in the Bible, it        | h. name            |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Kanye West (1) \_\_\_\_\_ name to Ye. Kanye

Omari West is the name (2) \_\_\_\_\_ certificate.

He has no (3) \_\_\_\_\_ surname. Three years

ago, he said he was, "(4) \_\_\_\_\_ known as

Kanye West". He (5) \_\_\_\_\_ nickname Ye for a

long time. It is the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ eighth album.

People in California (7) \_\_\_\_\_ name must

(8) \_\_\_\_\_ a newspaper. Ye did this four times.

Three years ago, (9) \_\_\_\_\_ a radio host about

the name Ye. He said (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the Bible. He

added: "I believe "ye" (11) \_\_\_\_\_ commonly used

word in the Bible, (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Bible, it means

"you". So, I'm you, I'm us, it's us."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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nhisbirthcertificate.Hehasnomiddlenameorsurname.Threeyearsago,  
hesaidhewas,"thebeingformerlyknownasKanyeWest".Hehashadt  
henicknameYeforalongtime.Itisthenameofhiseighthalbum.Peoplein  
Californiawhochangetheirnamemustpublishitinanewspaper.Yedidth  
isfourtimes.Threeyearsago,hechattedtoradiohostaboutthenameY  
e.HesaiditwasfromtheBible.Headded:"Ibelieve"ye"isthemostcomm  
onlyusedwordintheBible,andintheBible,itmeans"you".So,I'myou,I'  
mus,it'sus."

# YE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2110/211021-ye-0.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Ye 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) \_\_\_\_\_

# WRITING

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Write about **Ye** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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