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## **Level 5**

# **Multiple-path stories for English students**

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# THE READING

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A project to help English learners with reading skills may soon start, if the developers can reach their funding target. The concept is a series of "multiple-path" books. Unlike conventional novels, readers can choose the direction of the story. It is the idea of teacher and author Marcos Benevides. He said: "The stories combine all the enjoyment of traditional multi-path stories with the [easier-to-understand] language that developing readers need, all in a high-quality package that appeals to adults as well as to adventurous kids."

The project is using the Kickstarter.com website to raise money. This site started in 2009. So far, 4.8 million people have promised \$793 million, funding 48,000 creative projects. Thousands of creative projects are currently raising funds. Mr Benevides' project may be one of the first, if not the first, English language teaching projects to use Kickstarter. Benevides said: "The plan is to launch the first three titles on January 1st....By the end of 2014, we hope that the series will have become self-sustaining. If that happens, we will continue producing new titles indefinitely."

Sources: <http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/atama-ii/atama-ii-books-multiple-path-stories-in-easy-engli>  
<http://www.kickstarter.com/hello?ref=nav>

# MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                             |                             |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. developers can reach     | a. direction of the story   |
| 2. a series                 | b. readers need             |
| 3. conventional             | c. their funding target     |
| 4. readers can choose the   | d. novels                   |
| 5. language that developing | e. quality package          |
| 6. a high-                  | f. of "multiple-path" books |
| 7. appeals                  | g. kids                     |
| 8. adventurous              | h. to adults                |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. raise                       | a. raising funds      |
| 2. people have promised        | b. first three titles |
| 3. projects are currently      | c. money              |
| 4. one of the first,           | d. end of 2014        |
| 5. launch the                  | e. indefinitely       |
| 6. By the                      | f. self-sustaining    |
| 7. the series will have become | g. if not the first   |
| 8. producing new titles        | h. \$793 million      |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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# STORY BOOKS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about story books 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) \_\_\_\_\_
- g) \_\_\_\_\_
- h) \_\_\_\_\_

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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) \_\_\_\_\_
- g) \_\_\_\_\_
- h) \_\_\_\_\_

# FREE WRITING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1309/130923-multiple-path-stories-5.html>

Write about **story books** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

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