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Level 0

BBC plans 2,500 hours of World War I shows

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

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THE READING

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The BBC has big plans for the 100 years since World War I (WWI). It plans to make 2,500 hours of new shows. We can see them between 2014 and 2018. The BBC said we will learn something new about the war. It wants people to understand more about it. It also wants to tell old and new stories.

WWI was mostly in Europe. It began in 1914 and ended in 1918. It was called the "Great War". Over 9 million soldiers died. It is the fifth-deadliest war. Over 70 million people fought in it. The United States joined in 1917. After the war, countries changed and new nations were created. This was one of the reasons for World War II.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/entertainment-arts-24552194>
<http://www.broadcastnow.co.uk/news/broadcasters/wwi-centenary-plans-revealed-by-bbc/5062538.article>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_War_I

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The BBC has | a. since World War I |
| 2. the 100 years | b. understand more |
| 3. make 2,500 hours | c. 2014 and 2018 |
| 4. We can see | d. of new shows |
| 5. between | e. and new stories |
| 6. learn something new | f. big plans |
| 7. It wants people to | g. them |
| 8. tell old | h. about the war |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. WWI was mostly | a. the "Great War" |
| 2. It began in 1914 and | b. for World War II |
| 3. It was called | c. deadliest war |
| 4. Over 9 million | d. in Europe |
| 5. It is the fifth- | e. in 1917 |
| 6. Over 70 million people | f. ended in 1918 |
| 7. The United States joined | g. fought in it |
| 8. one of the reasons | h. soldiers died |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The BBC has (1) _____ the 100 years since World War I (WWI). It (2) _____ 2,500 hours of new shows. We can (3) _____ 2014 and 2018.

The BBC said we will learn (4) _____ the war. It wants people to understand (5) _____. It also wants (6) _____ stories.

WWI (7) _____ Europe. It began in 1914 and ended in 1918. It was called (8) _____. Over 9 million soldiers died. It is (9) _____ war. Over 70 million (10) _____. The United States joined in 1917. (11) _____, countries changed and new nations were created. This was (12) _____ for World War II.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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 **World War I** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
