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Pilot buys pizza for 157 passengers

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THE READING

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An airplane pilot bought pizza for 157 hungry passengers. The pilot, Gerhard Bradner, works for the U.S. Frontier Airlines. His flight was delayed for five hours. He was hungry and thought he would get a pizza delivery from a pizza restaurant near the airport. He ordered 50 family-sized pizzas. He paid for them himself, but the airline's owner said he would give Mr Bradner the money. He announced: "Ladies and gentleman, Frontier Airlines is known for being one of the cheapest airlines in the US, but your captain is not cheap. I just ordered pizza for the entire plane."

The pilot said his airline was like a giant family and his passengers are part of that. That is why he bought everyone pizza. He knows other pilots who have bought food for passengers. The airline said the pilot bought pizza for the passengers and that other pilots often do special things for passengers. Bradner even got off the plane and went to meet the pizza delivery guy at the airport security area. He helped carry the pizzas back onto the plane. The manager of the Domino's Pizza was surprised when he took the order. He said the caller told him: "I need to feed my whole plane."

Sources: <http://www.theguardian.com/travel/2014/jul/09/best-delay-ever-hungry-pilot-buys-pizza-for-entire-plane>
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MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. His flight was delayed | a. of the cheapest airlines |
| 2. he would get a | b. them himself |
| 3. a pizza restaurant | c. owner |
| 4. He ordered 50 family- | d. the entire plane |
| 5. He paid for | e. for five hours |
| 6. the airline's | f. sized pizzas |
| 7. known for being one | g. pizza delivery |
| 8. I just ordered pizza for | h. near the airport |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------|
| 1. The pilot said his airline was like | a. security area |
| 2. That is why he bought | b. took the order |
| 3. other pilots who have | c. things for passengers |
| 4. pilots often do special | d. everyone pizza |
| 5. the pizza | e. back onto the plane |
| 6. the airport | f. a giant family |
| 7. He helped carry the pizzas | g. delivery guy |
| 8. surprised when he | h. bought food for passengers |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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An airplane pilot bought pizza for (1) _____. The pilot, Gerhard Bradner, works for the U.S. Frontier Airlines. His flight (2) _____ hours. He was hungry and thought he would (3) _____ from a pizza restaurant near the airport. He ordered 50 family-sized pizzas. He paid for them himself, but the airline's (4) _____ give Mr Bradner the money. He announced: "Ladies and gentleman, Frontier Airlines is (5) _____ of the cheapest airlines in the US, but your captain is not cheap. I just ordered pizza (6) _____."

The pilot said his airline was (7) _____ and his passengers are part of that. That is why he bought everyone pizza. He knows other pilots (8) _____ for passengers. The airline said the pilot bought pizza for the passengers and that other pilots (9) _____ for passengers. Bradner even got off the plane and went to meet (10) _____ at the airport security area. He helped (11) _____ onto the plane. The manager of the Domino's Pizza was surprised when he took the order. He said (12) _____: "I need to feed my whole plane."

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)

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)
