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Level 2 – 29th August 2024

First Esports World Cup ends in Saudi Arabia

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The Esports World Cup has ended. The eight-week-long competition was held in Saudi Arabia. Thirty teams from around the world competed in 22 games. The winner of the World Cup was Team Falcons. They won \$7 million. The total prize money at the World Cup was \$60 million. On Tuesday, Team Falcons faced off against Team Neymar Jr, led by the Brazilian soccer star Neymar. Neymar's side beat Team Falcons 2-1. Team Falcons won two major games in Saudi and were runners-up in two. They came top in Call of Duty and in Free Fire.

Esports have increased in popularity in the past decade. They are competitive video games that require great skill, quick reactions, and concentration. Gamers take part in a variety of games. These include MOBAs (multiplayer online battle arena) like League of Legends, and first-person shooter games like Fortnite. As with other sports, Esports have their stars. Esports gamers are not household names, yet. However, in the future, they will be famous. They may become global superstars next year. This is when the very first Olympic Esports Games take place.

Sources: <https://www.esportsworldcup.com/en>
https://www.arabnews.jp/en/features/article_128938/
https://liquipedia.net/esports/Esports_World_Cup/2024

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. The eight-week-long | a. Team Falcons 2-1 |
| 2. Thirty teams from | b. money |
| 3. They won | c. in two |
| 4. prize | d. competition |
| 5. led by the Brazilian soccer | e. major games |
| 6. Neymar's side beat | f. around the world |
| 7. Team Falcons won two | g. star Neymar |
| 8. runners-up | h. \$7 million |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Esports have increased | a. shooter games |
| 2. in the past | b. games |
| 3. competitive video | c. concentration |
| 4. quick reactions, and | d. next year |
| 5. first-person | e. in popularity |
| 6. Esports gamers are not | f. be famous |
| 7. in the future, they will | g. decade |
| 8. They may become global superstars | h. household names |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Esports have increased in popularity in (7) _____. They are competitive video games that (8) _____, quick reactions, and concentration. Gamers take part in a variety of games. These include MOBAs (multiplayer online battle arena) like League of Legends, and (9) _____ games like Fortnite. (10) _____ sports, Esports have their stars. Esports gamers are not household names, yet. However, (11) _____, they will be famous. They may become global superstars next year. This is when (12) _____ Olympic Esports Games take place.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ESPORTS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Esports 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) _____

