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# New world Monopoly champion crowned

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### THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

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A 19-year-old Norwegian man is the new Monopoly world champion. Bjorn Halvard Knappskog beat off all the competition at the world championships in Las Vegas on October 24th. The new champ won \$20,580 in real money. His closest rival couldn't pay the rent in Monopoly money. Knappskog told reporters: "I'm the most surprised you could ever be. I think this was a really good final. It was the best game I played in the whole tournament." The final lasted only 45 minutes. This is really quick. A typical game of Monopoly lasts up to four hours or more. Monopoly is one of the most popular board games in the world. Almost everyone gets a Monopoly set when they are children. The famous real-estate trading game started in 1935. It quickly became a bestseller. More than 275 million copies of the game have been sold worldwide. Each version is different, depending on the street names of the world's capital cities. The game is great for teaching children about how to use and make money. Kids can quickly take on the role of property tycoons. They become very competitive and can get greedy.

#### **PHRASE MATCH**

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#### Match the following phrases from the article.

#### Paragraph 1

1.	the new Monopoly world	a.	the competition
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6. lasts up to four 
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 in real money

#### Paragraph 2

1.	the most popular board	a.	estate trading game
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3.	It quickly became	С.	is different

- 5. how to use and e. games
- 6. property f. a bestseller

# **LISTENING GAP FILL**

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# **MULTIPLE CHOICE**

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2.	(a)	•	(b)	chump	(c)	chimp
3.	(a)	rivalry	(b)	rival	(c)	rivaled
4.	(a)	be	(b)	have	(c)	surprise
5.	(a)	lasting	(b)	last	(c)	lasts
6.	(a)	board	(b)	beard	(c)	bored
7.	(a)	sit	(b)	set	(c)	sat
8.	(a)	world	(b)	worldly	(c)	worldwide
9.	(a)	take	(b)	make	(c)	rake
10.	(a)	greedy	(b)	greed	(c)	greediest

#### **SPELLING**

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#### Spell the <u>jumbled</u> words (from the text) correctly.

#### Paragraph 1

- 1. <u>aebt</u> off all the competition
- 2. \$20,580 in real <u>ymneo</u>
- 3. His closest <u>vlria</u>
- 4. a really good <u>flani</u>
- 5. the hwelo tournament
- 6. four <u>ruohs</u> or more

#### Paragraph 2

- 7. <u>raobd</u> games
- 8. real <u>seatte</u>
- 9. 275 million socipe
- 10. street <u>esanm</u>
- 11. property <u>onotcsy</u>
- 12. get <u>ergedy</u>

#### **PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER**

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#### Number these lines in the correct order.

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#### With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. competition Knappskog all off the beat. money The \$20,580 champ real in won 2. new. couldn't rival the closest His. 3. rent pay could surprised The most be 4. ever you. four typical Monopoly to A of 5. hours up game lasts. the of board 6. most One games popular. famous The trading. 7. estate real game children. teaching for The 8. great is game about children Teaching. how and use money to make 9. 10. the of Kids take role tycoons quickly. property can on

# **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

**STUDENT A's QUESTIONS** (Do not show these to student B)

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6.	
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# **WRITING**

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#### **HOMEWORK**

- **1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.
- **2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find more information about Monopoly. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.
- **3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about board games. Include imaginary interviews with people who invent new board games. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.
- **4. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.
- **5. LETTER:** Write a letter to Bjorn Halvard Knappskog. Ask him three questions about the Monopoly world championship. Give him three of your opinions on Monopoly. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Your partner will answer the questions you asked.