

THE READING

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South Korean pop music is popular worldwide. The boy band BTS is the most successful. They are the first K-pop band to have a number one song in the U.S. The world's biggest music label, Universal, will join a live-streaming platform set up by Korea's biggest record labels. It will work with the company BTS belongs to.

Universal also teamed up with YG Entertainment. YG said: "We will work closely with...Universal...globally for the successful...debut and promotion of [our girl band] BLACKPINK. In addition, we will do our best to help other YG artists to break into the North American and European markets." YG added: "Real talent...has no boundaries."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

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| 1. pop music is popular | a. labels |
| 2. BTS is the most | b. successful |
| 3. They are the first | c. music label |
| 4. have a number | d. belongs to |
| 5. The world's biggest music | e. K-pop band |
| 6. a live- | f. worldwide |
| 7. Korea's biggest record | g. streaming platform |
| 8. the company BTS | h. one song |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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| 1. teamed | a. band |
| 2. work closely | b. markets |
| 3. the successful | c. with Universal |
| 4. girl | d. boundaries |
| 5. we will do | e. artists |
| 6. help other YG | f. debut |
| 7. European | g. up with YG |
| 8. Real talent has no | h. our best |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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South Korean pop (1) _____ worldwide. The boy band BTS (2) _____ successful. They are the first K-pop (3) _____ a number one song in the U.S. The (4) _____ label, Universal, will join a live-streaming platform (5) _____ Korea's biggest record labels. It (6) _____ the company BTS belongs to.

Universal (7) _____ with YG Entertainment. YG said: "We will (8) _____...Universal...globally for the successful...debut (9) _____ [our girl band] BLACKPINK. In addition, (10) _____ our best to help other YG artists (11) _____ the North American and European markets." YG added: "Real (12) _____ boundaries."

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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Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____