**Actuele lesbrief Engels – Robodog**

**Voor de docent**

Een overzicht met drie nieuwsberichten over opmerkelijke gebeurtenissen van de afgelopen maand.

**ERK-niveau**

Lezen A2 - Lezen om informatie op te doen – Kan de hoofdlijn begrijpen van eenvoudige teksten in een tijdschrift, krant of op een website. (LEA2-3b)

Leesstrategieën – Kan zijn of haar begrip van de algemene betekenis van korte teksten over alledaagse onderwerpen van concrete aard gebruiken om de vermoedelijke betekenis van onbekende woorden af te leiden uit de context.

Kan gebruikmaken van tweetalige (online) woordenboeken om woordbegrip te controleren, indien toegestaan.

**Intro**

What’s happening in the world?

Assignment 1

Read the assignment and write down the answers in English. You may use English-language Internet sources to help you. If you only know the Dutch word, use a dictionary to find the English word.

a Make a list of words related to the news.

b Name at least one English-language newspaper and/or news channel.

**Robodog**

Robodog is a popular 2015 film. But guess what, now a real robodog has been spotted in a park.

Read more about the robodog and two other remarkable news stories [here](https://newsforkids.net/articles/2020/05/16/for-real-three-words-a-robot-dog-and-a-1080/).

Assignment 2

Read the text. Connect the words and expressions in the two columns that have the same meaning.

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| 1. to follow social distancing rules | 1. 4x4 (all wheels are receiving power from the engine) |
| 1. a recorded message | 1. to do something successfully |
| 1. to remind | 1. far away from places where other people live |
| 1. to detect | 1. an island of Australia |
| 1. to nail something | 1. to make people think about something again |
| 1. a spin | 1. a movement of turning round very quickly |
| 1. vertical | 1. to notice the presence of something |
| 1. pandemic | 1. a pattern of lines that cross each other to form squares on a map |
| 1. goal | 1. person who goes for long walks |
| 1. hiker | 1. a situation in which a disease (*ziekte*) spreads all over the world |
| 1. remote | 1. something that you are trying to get or reach |
| 1. Tasmania | 1. specially trained people who help in dangerous or serious situations |
| 1. emergency workers | 1. spoken information stored on a tape or disc |
| 1. grid | 1. standing or pointing straight up (not horizontal) |
| 1. four-wheel-drive | 1. to stick to the rules of leaving enough space between yourself and someone else |

Assignment 3

a Match the information in the left column to the correct news story in the right column.

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| 1. 3 complete spins | **Robot Dog** |
| 1. ambulance |
| 1. Brazil |
| 1. city park |
| 1. hiker | **1080** |
| 1. recorded message |
| 1. remote island |
| 1. Singapore |
| 1. skateboarder | **What3Words** |
| 1. Tasmania |
| 1. vert ramp |
| 1. yellow |

b True or false?

1 The robot dog in Singapore is called Spot.

2 The robot dog has wheels like other robots.

3 Tony Hawk was the first skateboarder to do a 1080.

4 Gui Khury lives in Brazil.

5 Tasmania is a remote island.

6 What3Words is a smartphone app.

c 1 Read the text once more.

2 Copy the numbers in the text. If a number is repeated, just copy it once.

3 Remember: written numbers are also numbers!

4 Say all the numbers out loud.