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CITY HEAVY WOUND BY FLAMES

On April 6, Notre-Dame de Paris caught fire. The inferno raged for nearly five hours, leaving the cathedral a smoldering ruin. The fire was caused by a fire in the roof, which led to the collapse of the roof and the spire. The fire was caused by a fire in the roof, which led to the collapse of the roof and the spire.

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SMOLDERING: burning slowly without flames.

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Notre-Dame fire: Assessing the damage

The fire caused significant damage to the cathedral, including the collapse of the roof and the spire. The fire was caused by a fire in the roof, which led to the collapse of the roof and the spire.

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ANSWER KEY

1. Write the letter that corresponds to the best answer on the line beside each question.

1. How long did the fire at Notre-Dame de Paris last?
a) 20 minutes
b) 5 hours
c) 5 days
d) 5 weeks

2. How many people were injured or killed in the fire?
a) 100
b) 10
c) 1000
d) 10000

3. How many tourists visited Notre-Dame de Paris in 2019?
a) 10 million
b) 1 million
c) 100 million
d) 1 billion

4. What did the fire cause?
a) The roof to collapse.
b) The spire to collapse.
c) The cathedral to be destroyed.
d) The cathedral to be repaired.

5. How is Notre-Dame de Paris being repaired?
a) By using modern materials.
b) By using traditional materials.
c) By using a combination of modern and traditional materials.
d) By using only traditional materials.

ANSWER KEY

1. b
2. a
3. a
4. a
5. c

INTERNATIONAL
THE UIGHURS OF CHINA
—TERRORISTS OR VICTIMS?

Human rights groups around the world report that China has imprisoned up to one million Uighurs living in China's Xinjiang region. Satellite images and other evidence show a growing number of detention centres in Xinjiang, including at least 44 high-security buildings.

FAKE NEWS
The Chinese government, however, denies this accusation. It is "completely untrue," a senior Chinese official told the UN last August. The centres have been set up to teach lessons on Chinese history, language, and culture. They offer nutritious, free diets. The buildings are also used as job retraining centres, another official explained.

However, China does admit to cracking down on 'extremist activity' among Uighur Muslims in Xinjiang. It claims that Islamic militants and separatists are plotting attacks and stirring up tension between Uighurs and Han Chinese.

DEFINITIONS
AUTONOMOUS: freedom to govern or control its own affairs.
DETENTION CENTRE: jails where prisoners are held temporarily.
EXTREMELY: far beyond the norm.
HAN CHINESE: China's main ethnic group.

PERCEIVE: to understand or think about something in a particular way.
SEPARATIST: a group that wants to form a new country.
SOVIET UNION: a former country of Europe and Asia.
UNDERGROUND: secretly working against an existing regime.

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