THE THAMES BARRIER

1.Drag the following words to the pictures that describe them.

flooding barrier gate wave pier tunnel








2. Listen and decide if these statements are true (T) or false (F).

1. According to the guide, the piers of the Thames barrier look like a piece of clothing.
2. All gates are 61 meters wide and weigh 1,500 tons.
3. Six out of the 10 gates are only used when there is a danger of flooding.
4. When the gates are risen, they are as high as a five-floor building.
5. The navigation lights signal whether the barrier is functioning or not.
6. The Thames Barrier has saved London from flooding over 70 times.

3. Listen again and complete:

1. Can you see those big things that look like .....?
2. ...these steel gates are 61m wide and ..... 1500 tonnes each.
3. ...these six gates are ..... to form a barrier between the piers.
4. ...that is closed, and a ..... means it's open.
5. This is necessary because every ..... years the water in the river rises ..... cm.

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