

2012 Buenos Aires rail disaster



Can you reconstruct the article? Number the different sections.

____ The Sarmiento Line, on which the incident occurred, was operated by Trenes de Buenos Aires (TBA), owned by the Cirigliano brothers. It was the second

____ about 1,000 passengers on board when the crowded eight-carriage train, whose working brakes were not activated, hit the buffers at the end of the line,

____ speed of 26 km/h (16 mph). Fifty-one people were killed and more than 700 were injured; the dead and seriously injured were in the first two carriages,

__ 1 __ The 2012 Buenos Aires rail disaster, also known as the Once Tragedy, occurred on 22 February 2012, when

____ fatal accident on the line within six months, following the 2011 Flores rail crash, and the third-deadliest train accident in Argentina's history,

____ crushing the motor carriage and the following two carriages, after approaching the station at a

____ which were packed with people who had moved to the front of the train to be near the station exit on arrival.

__ 9 __ after the Benavidez rail disaster in 1970 (which left 142 dead and 368 injured) and the Sa Pereira rail disaster in 1978 (which left 55 dead).

____ a train crashed at Once Station (Spanish: *Estación Once de Septiembre*) in the Balvanera neighbourhood of Buenos Aires, Argentina. There were

Write questions to go with these answers based on the text.

1. _____ ?
On 22 February 2012 at Once Station
2. _____ ?
1,000
3. _____ ?
Because the breaks were not activated.
4. _____ ?
At 26 km/h.
5. _____ ?
Yes, 51 people.
6. _____ ?
Because they wanted to be near the exit.