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Just to the north of the island of Sicily lies the tiny island of Stromboli, which _____ after Mount Stromboli, one of Italy's three active volcanoes. The Stromboli volcano nicknamed the "Lighthouse of the Mediterranean" is one of the most active volcanoes in the world and _____ for the past 2,000 years. The last serious eruption of the volcano _____ in 1921. Despite the dangers, people have lived on the island more or less continually for the same period of time. However, the population _____ in recent years. Only a few hundred people live on Stromboli permanently. Many of them are fisherman.

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All over the world, people who lack the ability to see use a type of code called Braille (шрифт Брайля). This system of writing allows people to read words through touch. Raised dots on a surface enable them to feel each letter. Braille _____ in 1824 by a Frenchman named Louis Braille, who _____ his sight in an accident when he was young. In 1916, Louis Braille's system was officially accepted in the United States. Sixteen years later, English Braille became the universal system for the English-speaking world. Once you start paying attention, you'll notice Braille in places you've never seen it before - in elevators, on doors to public restrooms, on keypads of automated banking machines. Today entire books _____ in Braille. It's impressive to see how far the idea of a 15-year-old boy from France _____ since 1824.