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LANDMARKS in the **WORLD MAP**: the **ARGENTINE OBELISK**

TASK 1 : Look at the photos, drag and drop the descriptions in the right box.



THE OBELISK in BA, ARGENTINA



These are the descriptions of every photo:

Presentation of the Olympic Rings at the Opening Ceremony for the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics.	Some time ago, the influencer Alanxelmundo had the chance to climb it up with the help of Defensa Civil. He took marvellous pictures from the 4 windows and typical selfies as well.	Obelisco. Celebrating the Argentine Bicentennial. on May 23, 2010	West side From the bottom
The grace and strength of tango, in the mythical Corrientes street of Buenos Aires	Obelisco de Buenos Aires and the wide 9 de Julio Avenue	Under construction	Aerial view of the Obelisco in 2018
Meeting point where fans are gathering to say goodbye to Diego Maradona. Nov 25, 2020	Meeting point to celebrate a final match.	iconic trees in the shape of BA on a little square in front of the obelisk	Icon images projected on the Obelisk to pay homage to Maradona

The Obelisco de Buenos Aires (Obelisk of Buenos Aires) is a national historic monument and icon of Buenos Aires. Located in the Plaza de la República in the intersection of avenues Corrientes and 9 de Julio, it was erected in 1936 to commemorate the quadricentennial (the 400th anniversary) of the first foundation of the city. It's a venue for various cultural activities (usually sponsored by the city government) and other events. It is the traditional gathering spot for sports fans to celebrate when their favourite team wins, especially from the national football team, often resulting in colorful events that attract media coverage. It was also used by several acrobatic troupes to perform high-wire acts. On special occasions the Obelisk has received different interventions by different artists.

Task 2: read and match QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Type the correct number in the box :

1	Where is the Obelisk situated?	It is 67.5 metres high.
2	How high is it?	Its construction began on March 20, 1936, and finished on May 23, same year.
3	How many sides does it have?	No, it's not. There are many other obelisks.
4	When was it built and erected?	It was designed by architect Alberto Prebisch (one of the main architects of the Argentine modernism)
5	Can people climb it ?	There is a lightning rod that cannot be seen because of the height; its cables run through the interior of the obelisk.
6	Who was the architect who designed it?	It is located in the Plaza de la República in the intersection of avenues Corrientes and 9 de Julio
7	What is there on the tip of it?	It has 4 sides.
8	How long did it take to build?	No, it's not open to the public.
9	Is it the only Obelisk in the world?	Its construction took barely four weeks.

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