

ISLAND WANTED

Read the text and write in the appropriate word for each gap.

One year ago Ben Keene and Mark James launched Tribewanted (0) in, a torrent of media coverage. It was a simple idea with potentially enormous consequences (1) in tourism: the creation of an eco-friendly sustainable community existing simultaneously in the virtual world of the Internet and (2) on an actual desert island. How do you (3) feel about finding an island? Where (4) is but the Internet? Just Google it. Ben and Mark looked at islands (5) all over the world (6) and typical starting price was one million dollars. They didn't have much luck (7) but their searches led them to a specialist island broker (8) who pointed them towards Vorovoro, off the wild north coast of Fiji. With just (9) some money on Ben's credit card for two return tickets, they decided to go and (10) have a look. As (11) soon as they saw it, they knew it was right. It was small, just two hundred acres, but it had a beach, blue sea, hills and land for planting. The first hurdle was getting the agreement of the owner of the land, the local chief, Tui Mali. (12) None of his advisers were his nephew Ulai, who (13) had a degree in law and was a specialist in aboriginal land rights. The men had seen (14) what had happened to other idyllic Fijian Islands, and did not want to lose their ancestral lands to a large hotel complex or a marina. Finally, however, on the basis of (15) a handshake and the presentation of a tambua - the tooth of a sperm whale, the historical contractual device of the Fijians - the agreement was made.

