READING

Reading: Read the text.

APEC stands for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation. It is a group of 21 countries. Those countries work together to improve trade and the economy better. APEC started in 1989. Some APEC members are the United States, China, Japan, and Australia. Its main headcourter is in Singapore, the CEO Rebecca Sta. Maria.Apec is the only international meeting, it brings business technical cooperation and economical support and much more.

APEC wants to help countries trade. Trade means buying and selling things. APEC also helps people get jobs and keeps the environment clean. Leaders from APEC countries meet every year. They talk about how to help each other and work together.

APEC is important because it helps countries be friends and grow together.

VOCABULARY:

1. **APEC**: A group of countries working together
2. **Country**: A nation, like Peru, Japan or Australia
3. **Trade**: Buying and selling things
4. **Economy**: The system of money and jobs
5. **Leader**: A person in charge of a country
6. **Meet**: To come together
7. **Help**: To make something better
8. **Year**: 12 months
9. **Environment**: The place around us
10. **Clean**: Not dirty
11. **Work**: To do a job
12. **Together**: With other people
13. **Grow**: To become bigger or better
14. **Job**: Work that people do for money
15. **Friend**: Someone you know well

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Exercises

1. True or False? Write T (True) or F (False) for each sentence.

1. APEC has 21 countries. _____
2. APEC started in 2000. _____
3. APEC helps with trade and jobs. _____
4. Leaders from APEC meet every week. _____
5. APEC wants to keep the environment clean. ____

2. Fill in the Blanks Use words from the vocabulary list to complete the sentences.

1. APEC is a group of _____.
2. Trade means _____and SELLING
3. APEC _____MEET_____
4. APEC helps the COUNTRIES_____ grow.
5. APEC _____ENVIRONMENT_____

3. Match the Words to Their Meanings

1. Trade	a. To come together
2. Leader	b. Buying and selling things
3. Meet	c. The system of money and jobs
4. Economy	d. A person in charge
5. Work	e. To do a job

4. Answer the Questions Write short answers.

1. What does APEC stand for?

   _____

2. How many countries are in APEC?

   _____

3. When did APEC start?

   _____

4. What does APEC help with?

   _____

5. Why do leaders meet every year??

   Because

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