**Title:** Goodbye to Big Ben’s bongs!

**Sub Title:** Britain’s most photographed building will fall silent for four years!

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Big Ben is one of the most famous **tourist attractions** in Great Britain. However, come 21 August 2017 its famous chimes will fall silent.

Repair work is being carried out to the **famous landmark**, and the noise of the chimes would be loud enough to deafen workers if it carried on ringing!

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The name ‘Big Ben’ actually refers to the **bell** inside the **clock tower**. It has helped keep London on time for **157** years!

The clock tower itself is called **The Elizabeth Tower** – named after our Queen!

Standing at over 96 metres tall, the tower is 72 metres taller than Buckingham Palace!

It is **the largest** four facing clock tower in the world!

Big Ben attracts many tourists from all around the globe. But we soon won’t be able to hear the bell’s bongs again until 2021.

Luckily, visitors will still be able to tell the time using the **clock faces**, as they will remain active throughout the next four years.

Big Ben is an important part of many **New Year’s Eve celebrations** in Great Britain.

But don’t worry, the celebrations won’t be effected – as Big Ben will continue to strike midnight each year, despite the repair works taking place.

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Big Ben Chimes goodbye

Big Ben: Here today, Bong tomorrow.