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Bad teeth top reason for children in hospital

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THE ARTICLE

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Tooth decay is the biggest reason for children in the UK going to hospital. Britain's National Health Service (NHS) just reported that 500 children a week end up in hospital because of sugary drinks and poor dental hygiene. The NHS said fruit juice and fizzy drinks (sodas) are the biggest reason why so many kids end up in hospital. Researchers found that more than 25,000 children needed to have teeth extracted last year. More worrying is the fact that some children had all 20 of their milk teeth removed because of tooth decay. Most kids needed four to eight teeth removed. Researchers say the sugary drinks and fruit juices are also leading to higher levels of obesity in kids.

The report is from the Health and Social Care Information Centre. It found that the number of children aged between zero and four going to hospital to have teeth out has increased from 8,060 in 2011 to 8,758 last year. Children's dentist Kathryn Harley said that children are going to hospital for several reasons. One is that their teeth are very painful. Another reason is that the tooth is too decayed for dentists to save it. A final reason is the child has too many decayed teeth that need to be removed. In all of these cases, children need a general anaesthetic – an injection that puts them to sleep. A health expert told parents to ban fruit juice and fizzy drinks and just give water to their children.

Sources: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2690441/500-children-suffering-tooth-decay-hospitalised-WEEK-sugary-drinks-fruit-juice-toll.html#ixzz37Pd41WLO>
<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/uk/most-child-hospital-stays-for-teeth-30427382.html>
<http://www.theguardian.com/society/2014/jul/13/teeth-problems-children-hospital-decay-extractions>

WARM-UPS

1. TEETH: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about teeth. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

reason / hospital / sugary drinks / dental hygiene / hospital / teeth extracted / obesity / social care / painful / dentists / anaesthetic / injection / fruit juice / water

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. HOSPITAL: How can we stop kids going to hospital? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

Hospital for...	Your experience	How to keep kids safer
bad teeth		
obesity		
broken bones		
stomach bugs		
fevers / colds		
sports injuries		

4. WATER: Students A **strongly** believe children should drink water and not soda; Students B **strongly** believe kids can drink soda if they want. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. DECAY: Rank these with your partner. Put the worst things for your teeth at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- cola
- chocolate
- cotton candy
- fruit juice
- candies
- coffee
- toffee
- ice cream

6. JUICE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "juice". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. The article is about children in the USA. | T / F |
| b. Around 500 children a week go to hospital because of tooth decay. | T / F |
| c. Over 25,000 children in the UK had teeth pulled out last year. | T / F |
| d. Researchers said fruit juice is good at helping children lose weight. | T / F |
| e. The number of three-year-olds going to hospital has decreased. | T / F |
| f. A children's dentist said there were several reasons for this problem. | T / F |
| g. Many children need an operation to have their teeth removed. | T / F |
| h. A health expert said parents should continue to give children juice. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. reason | a. gone up |
| 2. end up | b. pulled out |
| 3. hygiene | c. last |
| 4. extracted | d. finish |
| 5. leading to | e. numerous |
| 6. increased | f. cause |
| 7. several | g. instances |
| 8. final | h. cleanliness |
| 9. cases | i. specialists |
| 10. expert | j. resulting in |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1. end up | a. have teeth extracted |
| 2. poor dental | b. them to sleep |
| 3. 25,000 children needed to | c. of obesity in kids |
| 4. some children had all 20 of their milk | d. zero and four |
| 5. leading to higher levels | e. decayed |
| 6. children aged between | f. hygiene |
| 7. children are going to hospital for several | g. expert |
| 8. the tooth is too | h. in hospital |
| 9. an injection that puts | i. reasons |
| 10. health | j. teeth removed |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Tooth decay is the biggest (1) _____ for children in the UK going to hospital. Britain's National Health Service (NHS) just reported that 500 children a week (2) _____ up in hospital because of sugary drinks and poor dental (3) _____. The NHS said fruit juice and fizzy drinks (sodas) are the (4) _____ reason why so many kids end up in hospital. Researchers found that more than 25,000 children needed to have teeth (5) _____ last year. More worrying is the fact that some children had all 20 of their (6) _____ teeth removed because of tooth (7) _____. Most kids needed four to eight teeth removed. Researchers say the sugary drinks and fruit juices are also leading to higher levels of (8) _____ in kids.

obesity
hygiene
decay
extracted
reason
milk
end
biggest

The report is from the Health and Social Care Information Centre. It found that the (9) _____ of children aged between zero and four going to hospital to have teeth out has (10) _____ from 8,060 in 2011 to 8,758 last year. Children's (11) _____ Kathryn Harley said that children are going to hospital for (12) _____ reasons. One is that their teeth are very painful. Another reason is that the tooth is too decayed for dentists to (13) _____ it. A final reason is the child has too many (14) _____ teeth that need to be removed. In all of these (15) _____, children need a general anaesthetic – an injection that puts them to sleep. A health (16) _____ told parents to ban fruit juice and fizzy drinks and just give water to their children.

decayed
dentist
expert
several
number
cases
save
increased

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

- 1) 500 children a week end up in hospital because _____
 - a. of sugared drinks
 - b. of sugary drinks
 - c. of sugar drinks
 - d. of sugars drinks
- 2) The NHS said fruit juice and fizzy drinks (sodas) are _____
 - a. the biggest reasons
 - b. the biggest reasoning
 - c. the biggest reason
 - d. the biggest reasoned
- 3) more than 25,000 children needed to have teeth _____
 - a. extraction last year
 - b. extract it last year
 - c. extracted it last year
 - d. extracted last year
- 4) More worrying is the fact that some children had all 20 of their _____
 - a. meet teeth removed
 - b. meek teeth removed
 - c. milk teeth removed
 - d. make teeth removed
- 5) sugary drinks and fruit juices are also leading to higher levels _____
 - a. of obese it in kids
 - b. of obesity in kids
 - c. of obesity on kids
 - d. of obese it on kids
- 6) Kathryn Harley said that children are going to hospital _____
 - a. for several reasons
 - b. for seven reasons
 - c. for seventeen reasons
 - d. for sever all reasons
- 7) Another reason is that the tooth is too _____ to save
 - a. delayed for dentists
 - b. decade for dentists
 - c. decayed for dentists
 - d. de-clad for dentists
- 8) A final reason is the child has too many decayed teeth that need _____
 - a. to been removed
 - b. to be removed
 - c. to being removed
 - d. to bee removed
- 9) In all of these cases, children need a general anaesthetic – an injection that _____
 - a. puts them to sleep
 - b. puts them for sleep
 - c. puts them at sleep
 - d. puts them as sleep
- 10) parents to ban fruit juice and fizzy drinks and just give water _____
 - a. to our children
 - b. to their children
 - c. to them children
 - d. to they're children

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

1. What organization talked about 500 kids going to hospital?

2. What are the biggest reasons for the children going to hospital?

3. How many children needed a tooth taken out last year?

4. What kind of teeth did some children have 20 of removed?

5. What non-teeth health problem is mentioned in the article?

6. What age group went to hospital more last year?

7. What was the first reason mentioned?

8. What was the final reason mentioned?

9. What does the injection do to children?

10. What did a health expert tell parents to give children instead of juice?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

1. What organization talked about 500 kids going to hospital?
 - a) the SHN
 - b) the NHS
 - c) the HNS
 - d) the NSH
2. What are the biggest reasons for the children going to hospital?
 - a) fever
 - b) chocolate
 - c) sports accidents
 - d) fizzy drinks and soda
3. How many children needed a tooth taken out last year?
 - a) over 25,000
 - b) over 250,000
 - c) over 2,500
 - d) over 2.5 million
4. What kind of teeth did some children have 20 of removed?
 - a) incisors
 - b) straight teeth
 - c) milk teeth
 - d) wiggly teeth
5. What non-teeth health problem is mentioned in the article?
 - a) skin rashes
 - b) obesity
 - c) broken bones
 - d) headaches
6. What age group went to hospital more last year?
 - a) 4-8-year-olds
 - b) under eights
 - c) 0-4-year-olds
 - d) teenagers
7. What was the first reason mentioned?
 - a) stained teeth
 - b) crooked teeth
 - c) wiggly teeth
 - d) painful teeth
8. What was the final reason mentioned?
 - a) too many decayed teeth
 - b) not cleaning teeth
 - c) cheap toothpaste
 - d) chocolate
9. What does the injection do to children?
 - a) put them to sleep
 - b) make them sick
 - c) make them laugh
 - d) scare them
10. What did a health expert tell parents to give children instead of juice?
 - a) tea
 - b) water
 - c) something hot
 - d) coconut milk

ROLE PLAY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Role A – Cola

You think cola is the worst thing for your teeth. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so bad about their things. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): cotton candy, poor teeth-brushing or grinding teeth.

Role B – Cotton candy

You think cotton candy is the worst thing for your teeth. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so bad about their things. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): cola, poor teeth-brushing or grinding teeth.

Role C – Poor teeth-brushing

You think poor teeth-brushing is the worst thing for your teeth. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so bad about their things. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): cotton candy, cola or grinding teeth.

Role D – Grinding teeth

You think grinding teeth is the worst thing for your teeth. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so bad about their things. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): cotton candy, poor teeth-brushing or cola.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'tooth' and 'decay'.

tooth	decay

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• reported• biggest• 25,000• milk• eight• levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• zero• dentist• painful• save• cases• ban
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TEETH SURVEY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Write five GOOD questions about teeth in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

TEETH DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'tooth'?
- c) Are your teeth in good condition?
- d) Do you like going to the dentist?
- e) What do you do to take care of your teeth?
- f) What childhood experiences do you have of the dentist?
- g) Should parents limit how much fruit juice kids have?
- h) What do you think of so many children having teeth problems?
- i) Should governments ban fizzy drinks?

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TEETH DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Will scientists find something to stop tooth decay one day?
- c) What do you do if you have a toothache?
- d) What's the worst thing for your teeth?
- e) How sad is it when a tooth is removed?
- f) Why don't parents stop their children's teeth getting bad?
- g) What should companies do to make fizzy drinks safer?
- h) Would children accept having just water?
- i) What questions would you like to ask the researchers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) reasoned | (b) reasoning | (c) reasons | (d) reason |
| 2. | (a) that | (b) the | (c) all | (d) a |
| 3. | (a) penniless | (b) poor | (c) toothy | (d) cavity |
| 4. | (a) extraction | (b) extracts | (c) extracted | (d) extractive |
| 5. | (a) of | (b) for | (c) from | (d) if |
| 6. | (a) levels | (b) rate | (c) number | (d) chance |
| 7. | (a) newborn | (b) nothing | (c) nil | (d) zero |
| 8. | (a) several | (b) series | (c) severed | (d) survival |
| 9. | (a) over | (b) too | (c) much | (d) hole |
| 10. | (a) brush | (b) near | (c) save | (d) polish |
| 11. | (a) bags | (b) boxes | (c) cases | (d) containers |
| 12. | (a) juicy | (b) just | (c) joust | (d) gist |

SPELLING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Paragraph 1

1. Tooth yduce is the biggest reason
2. ysruag drinks
3. poor dental einheyg
4. have teeth drectxate
5. higher seellv
6. sieoybt in kids

Paragraph 2

7. health and aclsio care
8. encdraies from 8,060
9. going to hospital for erelvsa reasons
10. children need a negrlea anaesthetic
11. an teijcnoni that puts them to sleep
12. A health ptexre

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () extracted last year. More worrying is the fact that some children had all 20 of their milk
- () sleep. A health expert told parents to ban fruit juice and fizzy drinks and just give water to their children.
- () up in hospital. Researchers found that more than 25,000 children needed to have teeth
- () Health Service (NHS) just reported that 500 children a week end up in hospital because of sugary drinks and poor dental
- () teeth removed because of tooth decay. Most kids needed four to eight teeth removed. Researchers say the sugary
- (**1**) Tooth decay is the biggest reason for children in the UK going to hospital. Britain's National
- () last year. Children's dentist Kathryn Harley said that children are going to hospital for several
- () The report is from the Health and Social Care Information Centre. It found that the number of children aged
- () drinks and fruit juices are also leading to higher levels of obesity in kids.
- () reasons. One is that their teeth are very painful. Another reason is that the tooth is too decayed for
- () removed. In all of these cases, children need a general anaesthetic – an injection that puts them to
- () between zero and four going to hospital to have teeth out has increased from 8,060 in 2011 to 8,758
- () dentists to save it. A final reason is the child has too many decayed teeth that need to be
- () hygiene. The NHS said fruit juice and fizzy drinks (sodas) are the biggest reason why so many kids end

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

1. in children for reason biggest The hospital to going UK the.

2. week end up in hospital Reported that 500 children a.

3. teeth have to needed children 25,000 than More extracted.

4. all 20 of their milk teeth removed Some children had.

5. kids levels of Leading obesity to in higher.

6. children zero of between four number aged and The.

7. hospital Children for are several going reasons to.

8. teeth One are is very that painful their.

9. dentists it is for save tooth decayed to The too.

10. expert to juice health parents fruit A told ban.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Tooth decay is the biggest *reason / reasoning* for children in the UK going to hospital. Britain's National Health Service (NHS) *just / justly* reported that 500 children a week end *down / up* in hospital because of sugary drinks and poor *dentist / dental* hygiene. The NHS said fruit juice and *fuzzy / fizzy* drinks (sodas) are the biggest reason why so many kids end up in hospital. Researchers found that *more / over* than 25,000 children needed to have teeth *extracted / distracted* last year. More worrying is the fact that some children had all 20 of their *milky / milk* teeth removed because of tooth decay. Most kids needed four to eight teeth *removal / removed*. Researchers say the sugary drinks and fruit juices are also leading to higher levels of obesity *in / on* kids.

The report is from the Health and Social Care Information Centre. It found that the *number / numeral* of children aged between *zero / nil* and four going to hospital to have teeth out *have / has* increased from 8,060 in 2011 to 8,758 last year. Children's dentist Kathryn Harley said that children are going to hospital for *interval / several* reasons. *One / Once* is that their teeth are very *pained / painful*. Another reason is that the tooth is *two / too* decayed for dentists to save it. A final reason is the child has too many decayed teeth that *need / needs* to be removed. In all of these cases, children need a *generally / general* anaesthetic – an injection that puts them to sleep. A health expert told parents to *ban / band* fruit juice and fizzy drinks and just give water to their children.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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T__th d_c_y _s th_ b_gg_st r__s_n f_r ch_ldr_n _n th_
_K g__ng t_ h_sp_t_l. Br_t__n's N_t__n_l H__lth
S_rv_c_ (NHS) j_st r_p_rt_d th_t 500 ch_ldr_n _ w__k
_nd _p _n h_sp_t_l b_c__s_ _f s_g_ry dr_nks _nd p__r
d_nt_l hyg__n_. Th_ NHS s__d fr__t j__c_ _nd f_zzy
dr_nks (s_d_s) _r_ th_ b_gg_st r__s_n why s_ m_ny
k_ds _nd _p _n h_sp_t_l. R_s__rch_rs f__nd th_t m_r_
th_n 25,000 ch_ldr_n n__d_d t_ h_v_ t__th _xtr_ct_d
l_st y__r. M_r_ w_rry_ng _s th_ f_ct th_t s_m_
ch_ldr_n h_d _ll 20 _f th__r m_lk t__th r_m_v_d
b_c__s_ _f t__th d_c_y. M_st k_ds n__d_d f__r t_
__ght t__th r_m_v_d. R_s__rch_rs s_y th_ s_g_ry
dr_nks _nd fr__t j__c_s _r_ _ls_ l__d_ng t_ h_gh_r
l_v_ls _f _b_s_ty _n k_ds.

Th_ r_p_rt _s fr_m th_ H__lth _nd S_c__l C_r_
_nf_rm_t__n C_ntr_. _t f__nd th_t th_ n_mb_r _f
ch_ldr_n _g_d b_tw__n z_r_ _nd f__r g__ng t_
h_sp_t_l t_ h_v_ t__th __t h_s _ncr__s_d fr_m 8,060
n 2011 t 8,758 l_st y__r. Ch_ldr_n's d_nt_st K_thryn
H_rl_y s__d th_t ch_ldr_n _r_ g__ng t_ h_sp_t_l f_r
s_v_r_l r__s_ns. _n_ _s th_t th__r t__th _r_v_ry
p__nf_l. _n_th_r r__s_n _s th_t th_ t__th _s t_
d_c_y_d f_r d_nt_sts t_s_v__t. _f_n_l r__s_n _s th_
ch_ld h_s t__ m_ny d_c_y_d t__th th_t n__d t_ b_
r_m_v_d. _n _ll _f th_s_ c_s_s, ch_ldr_n n__d _
g_n_r_l _n__sth_t_c - _n _nj_ct__n th_t p_ts th_m t_
sl__p. _h__lth _xp_rt t_ld p_r_nts t_b_n fr__t j__c_
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

tooth decay is the biggest reason for children in the uk going to hospital
britain's national health service (nhs) just reported that 500 children a week
end up in hospital because of sugary drinks and poor dental hygiene the nhs
said fruit juice and fizzy drinks (sodas) are the biggest reason why so many
kids end up in hospital researchers found that more than 25000 children
needed to have teeth extracted last year more worrying is the fact that
some children had all 20 of their milk teeth removed because of tooth decay
most kids needed four to eight teeth removed researchers say the sugary
drinks and fruit juices are also leading to higher levels of obesity in kids

the report is from the health and social care information centre it found that
the number of children aged between zero and four going to hospital to have
teeth out has increased from 8060 in 2011 to 8758 last year children's
dentist kathryn harley said that children are going to hospital for several
reasons one is that their teeth are very painful another reason is that the
tooth is too decayed for dentists to save it a final reason is the child has too
many decayed teeth that need to be removed in all of these cases children
need a general anaesthetic – an injection that puts them to sleep a health
expert told parents to ban fruit juice and fizzy drinks and just give water to
their children

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FREE WRITING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Write about **teeth** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner’s paper.

Lined writing area consisting of 22 horizontal lines.

ACADEMIC WRITING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140716-tooth-decay.html>

Children should never drink sodas and fizzy drinks. Discuss.

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about keeping teeth healthy. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. TEETH: Make a poster about teeth. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. SUGARY DRINKS: Write a magazine article about sugary drinks. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against giving them to children.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on teeth. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to get children to have healthier teeth. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F b T c T d F e F f T g T h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. reason | a. cause |
| 2. end up | b. finish |
| 3. hygiene | c. cleanliness |
| 4. extracted | d. pulled out |
| 5. leading to | e. resulting in |
| 6. increased | f. gone up |
| 7. several | g. numerous |
| 8. final | h. last |
| 9. cases | i. instances |
| 10. expert | j. specialist |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. The NHS (National Health Service)
2. Fruit juices and fizzy drinks (soda)
3. Over 25,000
4. Milk teeth
5. Obesity
6. Zero to four
7. Painful teeth
8. Too many decayed teeth
9. Put them to sleep
10. Water

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. c 7. d 8. a 9. a 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)