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## **Level 0**

# **Centuries-old diseases coming back**

**28th December, 2015**

<http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1512/151228-diseases.html>

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1512/151228-diseases.html>

Many old diseases are coming back. More people are getting diseases like tuberculosis (TB). It is more common in England than in some poor countries. It is increasing across the world.

TB affects very poor people. It is an infectious disease that damages the lungs. People get bad coughs, fever, and they lose weight.

TB affects old people who do not have enough to eat. A UK doctor said we should do more to feed old people. She said: "It is totally unacceptable that...there are at least one million older people malnourished or at risk of malnourishment." She said we should try and give old people better food and medicine.

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# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1512/151228-diseases.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                     |                      |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Many old diseases                | a. lungs             |
| 2. More people are getting diseases | b. coughs            |
| 3. It is more common                | c. disease           |
| 4. It is increasing                 | d. weight            |
| 5. an infectious                    | e. in England        |
| 6. damages the                      | f. are coming back   |
| 7. People get bad                   | g. like tuberculosis |
| 8. lose                             | h. across the world  |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                  |                         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. people who do not have        | a. million older people |
| 2. A UK doctor said we should do | b. try                  |
| 3. feed                          | c. enough to eat        |
| 4. It is totally                 | d. and medicine         |
| 5. there are at least one        | e. unacceptable         |
| 6. at risk of                    | f. more                 |
| 7. She said we should            | g. malnourishment       |
| 8. better food                   | h. old people           |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Many old diseases (1) \_\_\_\_\_. More people are getting diseases like tuberculosis (TB). (2) \_\_\_\_\_ in England (3) \_\_\_\_\_ poor countries. It is increasing (4) \_\_\_\_\_. TB affects very poor people. It is an infectious disease (5) \_\_\_\_\_ lungs. People get bad coughs, fever, and (6) \_\_\_\_\_. TB affects old people (7) \_\_\_\_\_ enough to eat. A UK doctor (8) \_\_\_\_\_ do more to feed old people. She said: "It is totally unacceptable that... (9) \_\_\_\_\_ one million older (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (11) \_\_\_\_\_ malnourishment." She said we should try and give old people better (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

