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Doctors give better care in the morning

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1905/190515-decision-fatigue-4.html>

The quality of medical care you get could depend on the time of the day you visit a hospital. A U.S. study found big differences in the decision-making of doctors at different times of the day. The chances of getting screened for cancer were higher in the morning than in the late afternoon. Around 64% of women eligible for tests were assigned to breast cancer screening in the hour after 8am. This figure dropped to 48% at 5pm.

The researchers said many doctors suffered from "decision fatigue". This is a mental burn-out that affects the ability to make decisions after hours of work. A researcher said there was "growing evidence that the time of the day and decision fatigue impacts patient care". Another researcher said decision fatigue means people may be less likely to make a new decision after they've been making them all day. This was often the result of being overworked.

Sources: <https://medicalxpress.com/news/2019-05-cancer-screening-decline-patients-doctors.html>
<https://www.marketwatch.com/story/why-it-matters-what-time-of-day-you-visit-the-doctor-2019-05-10>
<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/overworked-doctors-administer-fewer-life-15026848>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. depend | a. screened for cancer |
| 2. A U.S. study found big | b. cancer screening |
| 3. The chances of getting | c. differences |
| 4. higher in | d. dropped to 48% |
| 5. in the late | e. on the time of the day |
| 6. women eligible | f. afternoon |
| 7. breast | g. for tests |
| 8. This figure | h. the morning |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. many doctors suffered | a. being overworked |
| 2. This is a mental | b. evidence |
| 3. affects the ability | c. them all day |
| 4. growing | d. burn-out |
| 5. the time of | e. likely to |
| 6. people may be less | f. from decision fatigue |
| 7. after they've been making | g. the day |
| 8. often the result of | h. to make decisions |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1905/190515-decision-fatigue-4.html>

The quality of medical care you (1) _____ on the time of the day you visit a hospital. A U.S. study (2) _____ in the decision-making of doctors (3) _____ of the day. The chances of getting screened for (4) _____ in the morning than in (5) _____. Around 64% of women eligible for tests were assigned to breast cancer screening in the hour after 8am. This (6) _____ 48% at 5pm.

The researchers said many doctors suffered from "decision fatigue". This is a (7) _____ that affects the ability to make decisions after (8) _____. A researcher said there was "growing evidence that the (9) _____ day and decision fatigue impacts patient care". Another researcher (10) _____ means people may be less likely to (11) _____ decision after they've been making them all day. This was often the (12) _____ overworked.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DECISION FATIGUE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about decision fatigue 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.

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) _____

