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Level 5 – 15th April, 2019

U.K. leader thanks nurses for saving his life

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The U.K. Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, has thanked the National Health Service for saving his life. Mr Johnson, 55, tested positive for COVID-19 and self-isolated in his apartment in London. He continued to lead his country's response to the coronavirus pandemic. However, his symptoms persisted and his condition took a turn for the worse. He was admitted to a hospital for tests and was then moved to an intensive care unit as his condition worsened. This was a "precautionary move". He remained conscious and was able to breathe without needing help from a ventilator.

Mr Johnson said the care he received from nurses was "exemplary". He said: "I can't thank them enough. I owe them my life." He is now on a recovery ward in the hospital. He is making "very good progress". He is doing Sudoku puzzles and watching films. His biographer said: "Boris never used to believe in illness....He believed he was strong enough to keep going regardless of any symptoms from which he might be suffering. His strong inclination was to overwork, not to put his feet up. In the light of his experiences, one hopes he will change his outlook."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. thanked the National Health Service | a. persisted |
| 2. his country's response to the | b. move |
| 3. his symptoms | c. coronavirus pandemic |
| 4. his condition took a turn | d. from a ventilator |
| 5. moved to an intensive | e. for the worse |
| 6. This was a precautionary | f. care unit |
| 7. He remained | g. for saving his life |
| 8. breathe without needing help | h. conscious |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. the care he received from nurses | a. to overwork |
| 2. I owe them | b. of his experiences |
| 3. He is now on a recovery | c. any symptoms |
| 4. keep going regardless of | d. was "exemplary" |
| 5. His strong inclination was | e. his outlook |
| 6. to put his | f. ward in the hospital |
| 7. In the light | g. my life |
| 8. one hopes he will change | h. feet up |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The U.K. Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, (1) _____ National Health Service for saving his life. Mr Johnson, 55, (2) _____ COVID-19 and self-isolated in his apartment in London. He continued to lead his country's (3) _____ coronavirus pandemic. However, his symptoms (4) _____ condition took a turn for the worse. He was admitted to a hospital for tests and was then moved to an intensive care unit as (5) _____. This was a "precautionary move". He remained conscious and was (6) _____ without needing help from a ventilator.

Mr Johnson said the care he received from (7) _____. He said: "I can't thank them enough. I (8) _____ life." He is now on a recovery ward in the hospital. He is making "(9) _____". He is doing Sudoku puzzles and watching films. His biographer said: "Boris never used to (10) _____....He believed he was strong enough to keep going regardless of any symptoms from which he might be suffering. His (11) _____ to overwork, not to put his feet up. In the light of his experiences, one hopes he will (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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NURSES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about nurses 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) _____

