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## **Tutu declares love for Suu Kyi**

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# THE ARTICLE

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# WARM-UPS

**1. LOVE:** Walk around the class and talk to other students about love. Change partners often. Sit with your first partner(s) and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words from the article are most interesting and which are most boring.

*archbishop / delighted / audiences / Nobel Prize / unique / compliment / compassion / struggle / democracy / ambitious / Arab Spring / freedom / aspirations / strength*

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

**3. INSPIRING:** Who inspires you? Complete this table and share what you wrote with your partner(s). Change and share again.

	Who?	Why is (s)he inspiring?
World person		
Actor		
Singer		
Politician		
Religious leader		
Business person		

**4. LOVE:** Students A **strongly** believe love conquers all; Students B **strongly** believe this isn't true. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**5. QUALITIES:** Which of these are most important in a leader? Rank these and share your rankings with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners and share your rankings again.

- love
- ability to listen
- organizational abilities
- speech-making ability
- leading by example
- aggressiveness
- instills fear
- looks

**6. UNIQUE:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word 'unique'. 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/1109/110922-love.html>

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

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|--|-------|
| a. Archbishop Desmond Tutu said he is delighted by his audiences.        | T / F |
| b. The article said Bill Clinton joined Tutu and Suu Kyi for the chat.   | T / F |
| c. Desmond Tutu told Aung San Suu Kyi "I love you" in public.            | T / F |
| d. The archbishop also commented on Suu Kyi's beauty.                    | T / F |
| e. Archbishop Tutu said he wanted to visit Burma.                        | T / F |
| f. Suu Kyi will soon be inaugurated as head of Burma.                    | T / F |
| g. Suu Kyi said Burma and the Arab Spring were completely different.     | T / F |
| h. Suu Kyi is made stronger thinking about Burmese fighting for freedom. | T / F |

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

- |                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1. delighted   | a. supported     |
| 2. annual      | b. one-of-a-kind |
| 3. unique      | c. sworn in      |
| 4. touching    | d. dreams        |
| 5. compassion  | e. thrilled      |
| 6. encouraged  | f. huge          |
| 7. inaugurated | g. sympathy      |
| 8. optimism    | h. yearly        |
| 9. aspirations | i. positiveness  |
| 10. enormous   | j. heart-warming |

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

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Burma's opposition                | a. young man                  |
| 2. a unique, touching and            | b. of Burma's struggle        |
| 3. I'm like a smitten                | c. you've done                |
| 4. God is proud of you and           | d. head of government         |
| 5. he looks at the incredible things | e. inspirational conversation |
| 6. her struggle to bring democracy   | f. for democracy              |
| 7. inaugurated as the                | g. the Arab Spring            |
| 8. She spoke of her optimism         | h. smiles at you              |
| 9. Movements like                    | i. leader                     |
| 10. the unknown soldiers             | j. to her nation              |

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# WHILE READING / LISTENING

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**GAP FILL:** Put the words into the gaps in the text.

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*smitten*  
*via*  
*incredible*  
*delighted*  
*proud*  
*unique*  
*opposition*  
*return*

Archbishop Tutu encouraged Suu Kyi in her (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to bring democracy to her nation. He said he was "looking forward to coming to Burma when you are inaugurated as the (10) \_\_\_\_\_ of government there." She answered: "I'll have to be very, very (11) \_\_\_\_\_ because I do want [Tutu] to come." She spoke of her (12) \_\_\_\_\_ for democracy in Burma, likening the situation there to the Arab Spring. She said: "Movements like the Arab Spring are (13) \_\_\_\_\_ all over the world to people who are fighting for freedom. Of course, our (14) \_\_\_\_\_ are very different, but in the end we're all human beings and we can understand each other's dreams and (15) \_\_\_\_\_." She added that she gets "enormous strength from the (16) \_\_\_\_\_ soldiers" of Burma's struggle.

*optimism*  
*aspirations*  
*head*  
*societies*  
*ambitious*  
*unknown*  
*struggle*  
*meaningful*

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## LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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# AFTER READING / LISTENING

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

<b>love</b>	<b>beauty</b>
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- 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"><li>• delighted</li><li>• leader</li><li>• touching</li><li>• return</li><li>• proud</li><li>• beauty</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• bring</li><li>• head</li><li>• very</li><li>• spring</li><li>• human</li><li>• unknown</li></ul>
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# STUDENT LOVE SURVEY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1109/110922-love.html>

Write five GOOD questions about love 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.

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# LOVE 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 'love'?
- c) What do you think about what you read?
- d) What do you think of Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Aung San Suu Kyi?
- e) Do you think more leaders should express their love to people?
- f) Have you ever been smitten?
- g) What would you think if your leader expressed his/her love for another major world figure?
- h) What incredible things has Aung San Suu Kyi done?
- i) Should Archbishop Desmond Tutu attend world peace negotiations?
- j) Does love make the world go round?

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# LOVE DISCUSSION

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

- a) Did you like reading this article?
- b) Do you think democracy will come to Burma?
- c) Is love the most important thing in life?
- d) Are you optimistic about your love life?
- e) What do you think of the Arab Spring?
- f) What do you think of people who fight for freedom?
- g) What are your aspirations?
- h) From where do you get your strength when you need it most?
- i) What three adjectives would you use to describe love?
- j) What questions would you like to ask Archbishop Desmond Tutu?

# LANGUAGE – MULTIPLE CHOICE

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

- |     |                |               |                 |                |
|-----|----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1.  | (a) delightful | (b) delight   | (c) delights    | (d) delighted  |
| 2.  | (a) opposition | (b) opposing  | (c) proposition | (d) proposed   |
| 3.  | (a) thorough   | (b) via       | (c) avid        | (d) in         |
| 4.  | (a) stroking   | (b) handling  | (c) touching    | (d) feeling    |
| 5.  | (a) reply      | (b) back      | (c) return      | (d) reverse    |
| 6.  | (a) beautify   | (b) beauty    | (c) beautiful   | (d) beauties   |
| 7.  | (a) brush      | (b) break     | (c) brief       | (d) bring      |
| 8.  | (a) ambitious  | (b) ambitions | (c) ambitiously | (d) ambition   |
| 9.  | (a) likens     | (b) likening  | (c) likened     | (d) liken      |
| 10. | (a) awful      | (b) forgetful | (c) full        | (d) meaningful |
| 11. | (a) finish     | (b) last      | (c) end         | (d) eventual   |
| 12. | (a) unknown    | (b) knowledge | (c) kowtow      | (d) know       |

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# 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 Aung San Suu Kyi. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

**4. INSPIRATION:** Write a magazine article about an inspirational leader. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against it.

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. LETTER:** Write a letter to Desmond Tutu. Ask him three questions about love. Give him three of your opinions on it. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## TRUE / FALSE:

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

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## LANGUAGE WORK

- 1 - d    2 - a    3 - b    4 - c    5 - c    6 - b    7 - d    8 - a    9 - b    10 - d    11 - c    12 - a

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