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## **Level 1**

### **Heavy metal headbanging can damage brain**

**8th July, 2014**

<http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging-1.html>

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging-1.html>

Doctors warned that headbanging could be bad for you. Headbanging is a dance that fans of heavy metal music like. People quickly shake their heads backwards and forwards. Doctors say this could injure the brain. They recently saw a heavy metal fan who had brain damage. He had no history of head injuries and had been headbanging for many years. Doctors said the risk of brain damage from headbanging was low.

The man had bad headaches after going to a concert. He had a brain scan. Doctors found bleeding in his brain. He had an operation to repair it. Doctors made a hole in his brain to release the blood. His headaches disappeared. A doctor said: "The risk of injury is very, very low. If our patient had gone to a classical concert, this would not have happened." He said people should dance and that: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans should rock on."

Sources: <http://gulfnews.com/arts-entertainment/celebrity/hollywood/heavy-metal-can-be-hazardous-to-your-brain-doctors-1.1355980>  
<http://www.nhs.uk/news/2014/07July/Pages/Headbanging-could-damage-your-Motorhead.aspx>  
<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/279105.php>

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

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| 1. Doctors warned that headbanging could | a. heavy metal music like |
| 2. a dance that fans of                  | b. many years             |
| 3. People quickly                        | c. and forwards           |
| 4. backwards                             | d. the brain              |
| 5. Doctors say this could injure         | e. be bad for you         |
| 6. He had no history                     | f. headbanging was low    |
| 7. headbanging for                       | g. shake their heads      |
| 8. the risk of brain damage from         | h. of head injuries       |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. The man had bad headaches after  | a. operation to repair it   |
| 2. He had a brain                   | b. in his brain             |
| 3. Doctors found bleeding           | c. disappeared              |
| 4. He had an                        | d. scan                     |
| 5. Doctors made a hole in his brain | e. going to a concert       |
| 6. His headaches                    | f. injury is very, very low |
| 7. The risk of                      | g. rock on                  |
| 8. Heavy metal fans should          | h. to release the blood     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Doctors warned that headbanging (1) \_\_\_\_\_.  
Headbanging is (2) \_\_\_\_\_ of heavy metal music  
like. People quickly shake their (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
forwards. Doctors say this could injure the brain. They recently  
saw a heavy metal (4) \_\_\_\_\_ damage. He had  
no history of (5) \_\_\_\_\_ had been headbanging  
for many years. Doctors said (6) \_\_\_\_\_ damage  
from headbanging was low.

The man had bad headaches after (7) \_\_\_\_\_.  
He had a brain scan. Doctors (8) \_\_\_\_\_ his  
brain. He had an operation to repair it. Doctors  
(9) \_\_\_\_\_ brain to release the blood. His  
headaches disappeared. A doctor said: "The  
(10) \_\_\_\_\_ very, very low. If our patient had  
gone to (11) \_\_\_\_\_, this would not have  
happened." He said people should dance and that: "Rock 'n' roll  
will never die. Heavy metal (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)

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b)

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c)

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d)

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e)

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f)

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g)

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h)

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

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