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Level 0

Thousands wake up during surgery

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THE READING

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Thousands of people wake up in operations every year. Doctors say this is unusual. It happens once in every 19,000 operations.

Drugs relax patients so they cannot move. They cannot speak.

They cannot tell the doctor they are awake. Patients who wake up feel afraid. They sometimes panic.

Researchers looked at three million operations. They used data to find 64 ways to make operations safer. They wanted fewer accidents. They said doctors should use a checklist before each operation. Doctors will check the patient has the right drugs. A monitor can tell doctors if a patient wakes up.

Sources: <http://www.nhs.uk/news/2014/09September/Pages/Hundreds-report-waking-up-during-surgery.aspx>
<http://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/509217/Surgery-Awake-Patient-UK-Anaesthetic-NHS>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Thousands of | a. 19,000 operations |
| 2. wake up in | b. people |
| 3. Doctors say | c. feel afraid |
| 4. once in every | d. this is unusual |
| 5. Drugs relax patients | e. panic |
| 6. tell the doctor they are | f. operations |
| 7. Patients who wake up | g. awake |
| 8. They sometimes | h. so they cannot move |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Researchers looked at three | a. safer |
| 2. They used data to find | b. a checklist |
| 3. make operations | c. tell doctors |
| 4. They wanted fewer | d. 64 ways |
| 5. They said doctors should use | e. operation |
| 6. before each | f. million operations |
| 7. A monitor can | g. wakes up |
| 8. if a patient | h. accidents |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Thousands of (1) _____ operations every year.

Doctors say (2) _____. It happens once in every

(3) _____. Drugs relax patients so they cannot

move. (4) _____. They cannot tell the doctor (5)

_____. Patients who wake up feel afraid. (6)

_____.

Researchers looked (7) _____ operations. They

used data to (8) _____ make operations safer.

They (9) _____. They said doctors should use a

(10) _____ operation. Doctors will check the

patient (11) _____. A monitor can tell doctors if

(12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Thousandsofpeoplewakeupinoperationseveryyear.Doctors saythisisunusual.It happensonceinevery19,000operations.Drugsrelaxpatientssotheycannotmove.Theycannotspeak.Theycannottellthedoctortheyareawake.Patientswhowakeupfeelafraid.They sometimespanic.Researcherslookedatthreemillionoperations.Theyuseddatatofind64waystomakeoperationssafer.Theywantedfeweraccidents.They saiddoctors shoulduseachecklistbeforeeachoperation.Doctorswillcheckthepatienthastherightdrugs.Amonitorcantelldoctorsifapatientwakesup.

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) _____

