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Level 0

Man gets world's first bionic eye

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THE READING

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A British man has a new bionic eye. He is the first person in the world to get one. He has an eye problem called AMD. Doctors told him about it eight years ago. His sight became very bad. He could only see out of the corners of his eyes. He said that looking at things made his eyes tired.

Mr Flynn's bionic eye cost \$125,000. His operation lasted four hours. Doctors said it was a success. Flynn can now read a newspaper and can look at flowers. His doctor said he can also see people very well. The doctor hopes scientists can help other people who cannot see.

Sources: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-3169864/Eye-sight-breakthrough-thousands-UK-scientists-invent-BIONIC-EYE-save-sight-80-year-old.html#ixzz3gYzWtYRM>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. A British man has a | a. of the corners |
| 2. He is the first person in the | b. problem called AMD |
| 3. He has an eye | c. very bad |
| 4. Doctors told him about | d. new bionic eye |
| 5. His sight became | e. eyes tired |
| 6. He could only see out | f. at things |
| 7. looking | g. world to get one |
| 8. made his | h. it eight years ago |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Mr Flynn's bionic eye | a. success |
| 2. His operation lasted | b. cannot see |
| 3. Doctors said it was a | c. flowers |
| 4. Flynn can now read | d. very well |
| 5. look at | e. cost \$125,000 |
| 6. he can also see people | f. can help |
| 7. The doctor hopes scientists | g. four hours |
| 8. people who | h. a newspaper |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A British (1) _____ bionic eye. He is the first person (2) _____ get one. He has an eye problem called AMD. Doctors (3) _____ it eight years ago. His (4) _____ bad. He could only see (5) _____ of his eyes. He said that looking at things made (6) _____.

Mr Flynn's (7) _____ \$125,000. His operation (8) _____. Doctors said (9) _____.

Flynn (10) _____ newspaper and can look at flowers. His doctor (11) _____ see people very well. The doctor hopes scientists can help other people (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) _____

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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **eyesight** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.
