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U.K. leader thanks nurses for saving his life

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2004/200415-boris-johnson-4.html>

The U.K. Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, thanked the National Health Service for saving his life. Mr Johnson, 55, tested positive for COVID-19 and self-isolated in London. He continued to lead the UK's response to the coronavirus pandemic. However, his condition worsened. He went to hospital for tests and was moved to an intensive care unit. This was a "precautionary move". He remained conscious and could breathe without 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 recovering and making "very good progress". He is doing puzzles and watching films. His biographer said: "Boris...believed he was strong enough to keep going regardless of any symptoms from which he might be suffering. His strong [tendency] was to overwork, not to put his feet up."

Sources: <https://news.sky.com/story/boris-johnson-i-owe-doctors-and-nurses-my-life-after-coronavirus-treatment-11972103>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Johnson, 55, tested positive | a. from a ventilator |
| 2. lead the UK's | b. worsened |
| 3. his condition | c. move |
| 4. He went to hospital | d. for COVID-19 |
| 5. moved to an intensive | e. conscious |
| 6. This was a precautionary | f. response |
| 7. He remained | g. care unit |
| 8. breathe without help | h. for tests |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. the care he received from nurses | a. to overwork |
| 2. I owe them | b. progress |
| 3. making very good | c. going regardless |
| 4. doing | d. feet up |
| 5. strong enough to keep | e. my life |
| 6. any symptoms from which he | f. was exemplary |
| 7. His strong tendency was | g. might be suffering |
| 8. put his | h. puzzles |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The U.K. Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, (1) _____ Health Service for saving his life. Mr Johnson, 55, tested positive for COVID-19 (2) _____ London. He continued to lead the UK's (3) _____ coronavirus pandemic. However, (4) _____. He went to hospital for tests and was moved to an (5) _____. This was a "precautionary move". He remained conscious and could breathe without help (6) _____.

Mr Johnson said the care he received from (7) _____. He said: "I can't thank them enough. I (8) _____ life." He is now recovering and making "(9) _____". He is doing puzzles and watching films. (10) _____: "Boris...believed he was strong enough to (11) _____ of any symptoms from which he might be suffering. His strong [tendency] was to overwork, not to (12) _____ up."

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) _____

