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Gorilla Glass toughest ever smartphone screen

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

How many times has your heart sunk after dropping your smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass? There may be an answer to reduce that feeling. The glass used to make the screens on many of the world's smartphones just got tougher. Corning, the company that makes the glass, has just made a stronger version. It is called Gorilla Glass and has been used in smartphones for many years. Corning has greatly improved the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, crack or smash. The new product is called Gorilla Glass Victus. It can survive drops of up to two metres without any signs of damage. It is also two times more scratch-resistant than other glass.

Corning spokesperson John Bayne told reporters about the new product. He said: "Dropped phones can result in broken phones, but as we developed better glass, phones survived more drops. However, they also showed more visible scratches, which can impact the usability of a device." He said it was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from greater heights and be more difficult to scratch. He added: "Instead of...asking our technologists to focus on a single goal (making the glass better for either drop or scratch), we asked them to focus on improving both drop and scratch, and they delivered with Gorilla Glass Victus." The glass is set to debut on Samsung products "in the near future".

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<https://www.wired.com/story/gorilla-glass-victus/>

WARM-UPS

1. SMARTPHONE GLASS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about smartphone glass. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

many times / smartphone / worrying / feeling / company / version / scratch / drop / reporters / new product / scratches / device / technologists / goal / debut / the future

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

3. SMARTPHONES: Students A **strongly** believe we all need a smartphone; Students B **strongly** believe we don't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. GLASS: How can companies make the glass better in these cases? Is glass the best thing to use? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Improvements	The Best Thing to Use	Why?
House windows			
Car windows			
Drinking glasses			
Reading glasses			
Jam jars			
Test tubes			

5. GORILLA: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "gorilla". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. BEST SMARTPHONES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Apple
- Motorola
- LG
- Samsung
- Huawei
- Nokia
- Xiaomi
- Oppo

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|--------------|---|
| 1. smashed | a. More able to withstand difficult conditions or rough or careless treatment. |
| 2. reduce | b. A line on the surface of something along which it has split without breaking into different parts. |
| 3. tougher | c. Totally broke into pieces. |
| 4. version | d. Make smaller or less in amount, degree, or size. |
| 5. improved | e. A particular form of something differing in certain respects from an earlier form. |
| 6. crack | f. Made or got better. |
| 7. resistant | g. The ability not to be affected by something, especially something bad or negative. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 8. result in | h. Pay attention to. |
| 9. developed | i. Have an end, conclusion or outcome. |
| 10. visible | j. A thing made or adapted for a particular purpose, especially a piece of mechanical or electronic equipment. |
| 11. device | k. Provided something promised or expected. |
| 12. focus on | l. Made or created. |
| 13. delivered | m. The first public appearance of a new product. |
| 14. debut | n. Able to be seen. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

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

- a. The article said a new glass will stop your heart from sinking. **T / F**
- b. The glass used in many smartphones is called Guerilla Glass. **T / F**
- c. The new smartphone glass will be less easy to scratch and crack. **T / F**
- d. The new glass can stay intact after being dropped from two metres. **T / F**
- e. A company spokesman said dropping a phone rarely breaks it. **T / F**
- f. The spokesman said visible scratches affect a device's usability. **T / F**
- g. The company worked on both scratch-resistance and drop-resistance. **T / F**
- h. The new glass will debut on the new iPhone in the near future. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. reduce | a. lead to |
| 2. tougher | b. model |
| 3. version | c. carried out |
| 4. improved | d. noticeable |
| 5. signs | e. stronger |
| 6. result in | f. evidence |
| 7. visible | g. come out |
| 8. focus on | h. lower |
| 9. delivered | i. pay attention to |
| 10. debut | j. upgraded |

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

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. worrying if you smashed | a. heights |
| 2. made a stronger | b. of damage |
| 3. It can survive drops of | c. in broken phones |
| 4. without any signs | d. goal |
| 5. two times more scratch- | e. up to two metres |
| 6. Dropped phones can result | f. scratches |
| 7. they also showed more visible | g. the glass |
| 8. survive drops from greater | h. version |
| 9. focus on a single | i. near future |
| 10. set to debut on Samsung products in the | j. resistant than other glass |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

How many times has your heart (1) _____ after dropping your smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass? There may be an answer to reduce that (2) _____. The glass used to make the screens on many of the world's smartphones just got (3) _____. Corning, the company that makes the glass, has just made a stronger (4) _____. It is called Gorilla Glass and has been used in smartphones for many years. Corning has (5) _____ improved the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, (6) _____ or smash. The new product is called Gorilla Glass Victus. It can survive (7) _____ of up to two metres without any signs of damage. It is also two times more scratch- (8) _____ than other glass.

resistant
feeling
version
drops
tougher
crack
sunk
greatly

Corning spokesperson John Bayne told reporters about the new (9) _____. He said: "Dropped phones can result in broken phones, but as we developed better glass, phones (10) _____ more drops. However, they also showed more visible scratches, which can impact the (11) _____ of a device." He said it was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from (12) _____ heights and be more difficult to scratch. He added: "Instead of...asking our technologists to focus on a (13) _____ goal (making the glass better for either drop or scratch), we asked them to (14) _____ on improving both drop and scratch, and they delivered with Gorilla Glass Victus." The glass is set to (15) _____ on Samsung products "in the (16) _____ future".

greater
product
debut
survived
single
near
usability
focus

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

- 1) your heart sunk after dropping your smartphone and worrying if you _____
 - a. smash the glass
 - b. smashed a glass
 - c. smashed the glass
 - d. smashed the grass
- 2) The glass used to make the screens on many of the world's smartphones _____
 - a. just got toughest
 - b. just got tough eh
 - c. just got tough a
 - d. just got tougher
- 3) the company that makes the glass has just made _____
 - a. a stronger vision
 - b. a stronger version
 - c. a stronger verse on
 - d. a stronger verge on
- 4) greatly improved the glass to make it more difficult to _____...
 - a. scratch, crick or
 - b. scratch, crook or
 - c. scratch, crack or
 - d. scratch, creak or
- 5) It can survive drops of up to two metres without any _____
 - a. signs of damaged
 - b. signs of damaging
 - c. signs of damages
 - d. signs of damage
- 6) Corning spokesperson John Bayne told reporters about _____
 - a. the new product
 - b. a new produce
 - c. the news product
 - d. a new product
- 7) but as we developed better glass, phones _____
 - a. survived more drops
 - b. survived more drips
 - c. survived more drapes
 - d. survived more dropped
- 8) they also showed more visible scratches, which can impact the usability _____
 - a. offer device
 - b. off a device
 - c. of a device
 - d. off add a vice
- 9) Instead of asking our technologists to focus on _____
 - a. a singles goals
 - b. a single goal
 - c. a singles goal
 - d. a single goalie
- 10) The glass is set to debut on Samsung products in _____
 - a. the neared future
 - b. the near future
 - c. the near futures
 - d. the nearly future

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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How many times has your heart sunk (1) _____ smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass? There may be an answer to (2) _____. The glass used to make the screens on many of the world's smartphones just got tougher. Corning, the company that makes the glass, has just made (3) _____. It is called Gorilla Glass and has been used in smartphones for many years. Corning (4) _____ the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, crack or smash. The new product is called Gorilla Glass Victus. It (5) _____ of up to two metres without any signs of damage. It is also two times (6) _____ than other glass.

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

1. What did the article ask that you might have worried about?
2. What is the name of the company that makes the glass?
3. What is the name of the glass?
4. For how long has the glass been used in smartphones?
5. How much more scratch-resistant is it than other glass?
6. What did a spokesman say dropped phones result in?
7. What did a spokesman say could impact the usability of a device?
8. What did the spokesman say it was more difficult to do to the glass?
9. Who did the company ask to make the glass tougher?
10. When will the glass make its debut?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

- 1) What did the article ask that you might have worried about?
 - a) your wifi signal
 - b) being hacked
 - c) smashing glass
 - d) losing your phone
- 2) What is the name of the company that makes the glass?
 - a) Corning
 - b) Cornel
 - c) Core
 - d) Kernel
- 3) What is the name of the glass?
 - a) Ape Glass
 - b) Gorilla Glass
 - c) Chimpanzee Glass
 - d) Orangutan Glass
- 4) For how long has the glass been used in smartphones?
 - a) many times
 - b) many generations
 - c) many moons
 - d) many years
- 5) How much more scratch-resistant is it than other glass?
 - a) five times
 - b) three times
 - c) two times
 - d) ten times
- 6) What did a spokesman say dropped phones result in?
 - a) lots of broken glass
 - b) broken phones
 - c) a mess
 - d) tears
- 7) What did a spokesman say could impact the usability of a device?
 - a) a lack of sleep
 - b) fingerprints
 - c) the wifi signal
 - d) visible scratches
- 8) What did the spokesman say it was more difficult to do to the glass?
 - a) change it
 - b) scratch it
 - c) change the colour
 - d) melt it
- 9) Who did the company ask to make the glass tougher?
 - a) Apple
 - b) technologists
 - c) scientists
 - d) users
- 10) When will the glass make its debut?
 - a) in the near future
 - b) at the launch of the new iPhone
 - c) 2022
 - d) when it's finished

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Apple

You think Apple is the best smartphone maker. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their companies. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Huawei, Samsung or Nokia.

Role B – Huawei

You think Huawei is the best smartphone maker. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their companies. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Apple, Samsung or Nokia.

Role C – Samsung

You think Samsung is the best smartphone maker. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their companies. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Huawei, Apple or Nokia.

Role D – Nokia

You think Nokia is the best smartphone maker. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their companies. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Huawei, Samsung or Apple.

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 'smart' and 'phone'.

smart	phone
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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">• sunk• used• version• greatly• survive• resistant	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• reporters• result• impact• important• single• future
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SMARTPHONE GLASS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about smartphone glass 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.

SMARTPHONE GLASS DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'smartphone'?
3. When was the last time your heart sank?
4. How often do you drop your phone?
5. How do you feel when you drop your smartphone?
6. What do you think is the best smartphone?
7. What do you think of the name "Gorilla Glass"?
8. How would you feel if your smartphone glass totally smashed?
9. How important is it to insure your smartphone?
10. How important is your smartphone to you?

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SMARTPHONE GLASS DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'glass'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. How interested are you in new smartphone technology?
15. What is the best smartphone maker?
16. Which device is better - a smartphone or smart watch?
17. What problems have you had with your smartphone?
18. What do you want smartphone companies to improve?
19. What will smartphones be like in ten years from now?
20. What questions would you like to ask the Gorilla Glass engineers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Corning spokesperson John Bayne told reporters about the new product. He said: "Dropped phones can result in (7) _____ phones, but as we developed better glass, phones survived more drops. However, they also showed more (8) _____ scratches, which can impact the usability of a device." He said it was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from greater (9) _____ and be more difficult to scratch. He added: "Instead of...asking our technologists to focus on a (10) _____ goal (making the glass better for either drop or scratch), we asked them to focus on improving both drop and scratch, and they delivered with Gorilla Glass Victus." The glass is (11) _____ to debut on Samsung products "in the (12) _____ future".

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) sank | (b) sink | (c) stink | (d) sunk |
| 2. | (a) sashed | (b) slashed | (c) stashed | (d) smashed |
| 3. | (a) did | (b) got | (c) had | (d) was |
| 4. | (a) at | (b) to | (c) in | (d) by |
| 5. | (a) provide | (b) produce | (c) product | (d) provider |
| 6. | (a) resistant | (b) instant | (c) consistent | (d) exist |
| 7. | (a) broke | (b) broken | (c) break | (d) breaking |
| 8. | (a) visible | (b) invisible | (c) invisibility | (d) divisible |
| 9. | (a) hates | (b) heights | (c) hits | (d) halts |
| 10. | (a) lonesome | (b) loner | (c) single | (d) singles |
| 11. | (a) let | (b) met | (c) set | (d) bet |
| 12. | (a) nears | (b) nearly | (c) neared | (d) near |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. gyirnwro if you smashed the glass
2. There may be an wnaser
3. Corning has greatly iomrdvep the glass
4. It can uersviv drops of up to two metres
5. any signs of dmaeag
6. more scratch-rssittane than other glass

Paragraph 2

7. Dropped phones can reluts in broken phones
8. they also showed more seviibl scratches
9. impact the usability of a evecid
10. drops from greater sehthgi
11. they dvlreedie with Gorilla Glass
12. in the near fruute

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () difficult to scratch. He added: "Instead of...asking our technologists to focus
- () and scratch, and they delivered with Gorilla Glass Victus." The glass is set to debut on Samsung products "in the near future".
- () Corning spokesperson John Bayne told reporters about the new product. He said: "Dropped phones can result
- () tougher. Corning, the company that makes the glass, has just made a stronger
- () version. It is called Gorilla Glass and has been used in smartphones for many years. Corning has greatly
- (**1**) How many times has your heart sunk after dropping your smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass? There may be an
- () called Gorilla Glass Victus. It can survive drops of up to two metres without any signs
- () showed more visible scratches, which can impact the usability of a device." He said it
- () in broken phones, but as we developed better glass, phones survived more drops. However, they also
- () on a single goal (making the glass better for either drop or scratch), we asked them to focus on improving both drop
- () was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from greater heights and be more
- () of damage. It is also two times more scratch-resistant than other glass.
- () answer to reduce that feeling. The glass used to make the screens on many of the world's smartphones just got
- () improved the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, crack or smash. The new product is

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

1. sunk after your heart has Your dropping smartphone .
2. smartphones . screens many the world's The on of
3. many in for used smartphones been years . It's
4. more that difficult to glass is scratch . Improved
5. up drops metres . of two It survives to
6. phones . Dropped phones in broken can result
7. showed However, they visible more also scratches .
8. new was important glass . to a develop It
9. technologists single a on to focus Asking goal .
10. is debut to It products . set Samsung on

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

How many times has your heart sunk after *drooping* / *dropping* your smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass? There may be an *answer* / *solution* to reduce that feeling. The glass used to *make* / *do* the screens on many of the world's smartphones just *got* / *getting* tougher. Corning, the company that makes the glass, has just made a stronger *version* / *vision*. It is called Gorilla Glass and has been *used* / *useless* in smartphones for many years. Corning has greatly *improve* / *improved* the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, *crack* / *crash* or smash. The new product is called Gorilla Glass Victus. It can survive *drips* / *drops* of up to two metres without any signs of damage. It is also two times more scratch-resistant than *other* / *others* glass.

Corning spokesperson John Bayne told reporters about the new *predict* / *product*. He said: "Dropped phones can result *on* / *in* broken phones, but as we *developing* / *developed* better glass, phones survived more drops. However, they also showed more *visibility* / *visible* scratches, which can impact the usability of a *devise* / *device*." He said it was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from *greatly* / *greater* heights and be more difficult to scratch. He added: "Instead of...asking our technologists to focus *in* / *on* a single goal (making the glass better for either drop or scratch), we asked them to focus on improving *all* / *both* drop and scratch, and they *delivered* / *delivery* with Gorilla Glass Victus." The glass is set to debut on Samsung products "in the *near* / *nearly* future".

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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H_w m_n y t_m_s h_s y__ r h__ r t s_n k _f_t_r d
r_p p_n g y__ r s m_r t p h_n_ _n d w_r r y_n g _f
y__ s m_s h_d t h_ g l_s s? T h_r_ m_y b_ _n _n s
w_r t_ r_d_c_ t h_t f__ l_n g. T h_ g l_s s _s_d t_
m_k_ t h_ s c r__ n s _n m_n y _f t h_ w_r l d 's s
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c_m p_n y t h_t m_k_s t h_ g l_s s, h_s j_s t
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200728-smartphone-glass.html>

how many times has your heart sunk after dropping your smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass there may be an answer to reduce that feeling the glass used to make the screens on many of the worlds smartphones just got tougher corning the company that makes the glass has just made a stronger version it is called gorilla glass and has been used in smartphones for many years corning has greatly improved the glass to make it more difficult to scratch crack or smash the new product is called gorilla glass victus it can survive drops of up to two metres without any signs of damage it is also two times more scratchresistant than other glass

corning spokesperson john bayne told reporters about the new product he said dropped phones can result in broken phones but as we developed better glass phones survived more drops however they also showed more visible scratches which can impact the usability of a device he said it was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from greater heights and be more difficult to scratch he added instead of asking our technologists to focus on a single goal making the glass better for either drop or scratch we asked them to focus on improving both drop and scratch and they delivered with gorilla glass victus the glass is set to debut on samsung products in the near future

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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How many times has your heart sunk after dropping your smartphone and worrying if you smashed the glass? There may be an answer to reduce that feeling. The glass used to make the screen on many of the world's smartphones just got tougher. Corning, the company that makes the glass, has just made a stronger version. It is called Gorilla Glass and has been used in smartphones for many years. Corning has greatly improved the glass to make it more difficult to scratch, crack or smash. The new product is called Gorilla Glass Victus. It can survive drops of up to two metres without any signs of damage. It is also two times more scratch-resistant than other glass. Corning's spokesperson John Baynetold reporters about the new product. He said: "Dropped phones can result in broken phones, but as we developed better glass, phones survived more drops. However, they also showed more visible scratches, which can impact the usability of a device. "He said it was important to develop a new glass that could survive drops from greater heights and be more difficult to scratch. He added: "Instead of ... asking our technologists to focus on a single goal (making the glass better for either drops or scratch), we asked them to focus on improving both drops and scratch, and they delivered with Gorilla Glass Victus. "The glass is set to debut on Samsung products in the near future".

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 this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. SMARTPHONE GLASS: Make a poster about smartphone glass. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. GLASS: Write a magazine article about governments spending more money on research to make stronger glass. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

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. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on smartphone glass. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to make smartphones better. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. d 3. a 4. e 5. f 6. b 7. g
8. i 9. l 10. n 11. j 12. h 13. k 14. m

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. h	2. e	3. b	4. j	5. f
6. a	7. d	8. i	9. c	10. g

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Smashing the glass on your smartphone
- Corning
- Gorilla Glass
- Many years
- Two times more
- Broken phones
- Visible scratches
- Scratch it
- Technologists
- In the near future

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

- Your heart has sunk after dropping your smartphone.
- The screens on many of the world's smartphones.
- It's been used in smartphones for many years.
- Improved glass that is more difficult to scratch.
- It survives drops of up to two metres.
- Dropped phones can result in broken phones.
- However, they also showed more visible scratches.
- It was important to develop a new glass.
- Asking technologists to focus on a single goal.
- It is set to debut on Samsung products.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)