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# A full moon could give you a bad night's sleep

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## THE ARTICLE

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html</a>

If you have trouble sleeping at certain times of the month, it could be because of a full moon. Scientists from the University of Washington say there is a link between the lunar cycle and sleeping patterns. They say that on nights when there is a full moon, people could experience more restless sleep. The reason for this could be the Moon's changing brightness. When there is a full moon, the extra brightness in the night sky could interrupt our sleep. The scientists said: "Moonlight is so bright to the human eye that it is entirely reasonable to imagine that, in the absence of other sources of light, this source of nocturnal light could have had a role in [changing] human nocturnal activity and sleep."

The scientists conducted a study of the sleep patterns of over 500 people. Each person wore a special wristband that tracked their sleep. The study included 98 people from an isolated village in rural Argentina. These people did not have access to electricity and other artificial light sources. Their sleep patterns were compared to 464 people living in U.S. city of Seattle, which has lots of artificial light pollution. The scientists discovered that people in the rural village and in the big city got less sleep on the nights leading up to the full moon. The scientists said the artificial light in cities does not seem to affect sleeping patterns and that, "human sleep is synchronised with lunar phases."

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of-the-moon-20210128

#### **WARM-UPS**

- **1. SLEEP:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about sleep. 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?

trouble / times / full moon / sleeping / patterns / experience / night sky / human eye / scientists / wristband / village / rural / artificial / big city / synchronised / lunar phases

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

- **3. LIGHT POLLUTION:** Students A **strongly** believe governments should make laws to cut down on light pollution; Students B **strongly** believe that's unnecessary. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.
- **4. SLEEP QUALITY:** How can these things affect your sleep quality? What can we do about them? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Sleep Quality	Solutions
Moonlight		
Noisy neighbours		
The cold		
Stress		
Bad Dreams		
Caffeine		

- **5. MONTH:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "month". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.
- **6. SLEEPING:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best things to help you sleep at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.
  - A dark room
  - Quiet
  - Hot milk
  - A soft pillow

- Music
- A good book
- Music
- Exercise

## **VOCABULARY MATCHING**

#### Paragraph 1

- certain

   unable to sleep or relax because of stress,
   boredom or other thing.
- 2. link b. Anything about the night.
- 3. pattern c. Specific but not explicitly (clearly) named or stated.
- 4. restless d. Something that happens at the same or similar times.
- 5. interrupt e. A relationship between two things or situations.
- 6. entirely f. Stop the continuous progress of an activity or process.
- 7. nocturnal g. Completely.

#### Paragraph 2

- 8. conducted h. Followed the course of someone or something, usually to find them or note their location or activity.
- 9. tracked i. Far away from other places, buildings, or people; remote.
- 10. isolated j. Caused to happen or work at the same time or speed.
- 11. rural k. Carried out; done.
- 12. artificial I. A period or stage in a series of events or a process of change or development.
- 13. synchronised m. Made or produced by human beings rather than naturally, especially as a copy of something natural.
- 14. phases n. In, relating to, or characteristic of the countryside rather than the town.

## **BEFORE READING / LISTENING**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html

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

- a. Scientists say there is no link between sleep and lunar cycles. T / F
- b. Scientists say people may have restless sleep when there is a full moon. T / F
- c. The extra brightness of the Moon could interrupt our sleep. T / F
- d. Moonlight is a source of nocturnal light. **T / F**
- e. Scientists looked at the sleep pattern of over 5,000 people. T / F
- g. People in a rural village got more sleep on nights before a full moon. T/F
- h. Scientists say human sleep is synchronised with lunar phases. T / F

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

- 1. trouble
- 2. link
- 3. restless
- 4. extra
- 5. role
- 6. conducted
- 7. tracked
- 8. artificial
- 9. discovered
- 10. phases

- a. synthetic
- b. part
- c. carried out
- d. connection
- e. stages
- f. difficulty
- g. found
- h. additional
- i. troubled
- i. monitored

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

- 1. If you have trouble sleeping at certain
- 2. a link between the lunar cycle
- 3. people could experience more
- 4. the extra brightness
- 5. other sources
- 6. The scientists conducted a
- 7. Each person wore a
- 8. an isolated village in
- 9. lots of artificial light
- 10. less sleep on the nights leading

- a. up to the full moon
- b. in the night sky
- c. of light
- d. and sleeping patterns
- e. special wristband
- f. rural Argentina
- g. times of the month
- h. pollution
- i. restless sleep
- j. study

## **GAP FILL**

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month, it could be because of a full moon. Scientists from the	nocturnal
University of Washington say there is a (2)	cortain
between the lunar cycle and sleeping patterns. They say that on	certain
nights when there is a full moon, people could experience more	sources
(3) sleep. The reason for this could be the	restless
Moon's changing brightness. When there is a full moon, the	entirely
(4) brightness in the night sky could interrupt	link
our sleep. The scientists said: "Moonlight is so	IIIK
(5) to the human eye that it is	extra
(6) reasonable to imagine that, in the absence	
of other (7) of light, this source of nocturnal	
light could have had a role in [changing] human	
(8) activity and sleep."	
The scientists conducted a study of the sleep	sources
(9) of over 500 people. Each person wore a	tracked
special wristband that (10) their sleep. The	rural
study included 98 people from an (11) village	rurur
in rural Argentina. These people did not have access to electricity	patterns
and other artificial light (12) Their sleep	phases
patterns were compared to 464 people living in U.S. city of	artificial
Seattle, which has lots of (13) light pollution.	londing
The scientists discovered that people in the	leading
(14) village and in the big city got less sleep on	isolated
the nights (15) up to the full moon. The	
scientists said the artificial light in cities does not seem to affect	
sleeping patterns and that, "human sleep is synchronised with	
lunar (16)"	

# **LISTENING** — Guess the answers. Listen to check.

1)	If you have trouble sleeping at certain times  a. off the month b. oft the month c. of the month d. over month
2)	there is a link between the lunar cycle a. and sleep in patterns b. and sleep ping patterns c. and sleep pin patterns d. and sleeping patterns
3)	The reason for this could be the Moon's  a. changing bright nest  b. changing brightness c. changing brightly nest d. changing bright next
4)	there is a full moon, the extra brightness in the night sky could  a. interrupt our sleep b. interrupts our sleep c. interrupting our sleep d. interrupted our sleep
5)	this source of nocturnal light could have  a. had a roll  b. had a role  c. had oral  d. had aural
6)	Each person wore a special wristband that  a. tract their sleep  b. trucked their sleep  c. tricked their sleep  d. tracked their sleep
7)	The study included 98 people from an isolated village a. in aural Argentina b. in oral Argentina c. inner Argentina d. in rural Argentina
8)	compared to 464 people living in U.S. city of Seattle, which has lots a. off artificial light b. of an arty light c. of an official light d. offer terrific light
9)	and in the big city got less sleep on the nights the full moon a. lead in up to b. lead din up to c. lead ding up to d. leading up to
10	) sleeping patterns and that, human sleep is synchronised
	a. with lunar phases
	b. with loaner phases
	<ul><li>c. with leaner phases</li><li>d. with loony phases</li></ul>

# **LISTENING** – Listen and fill in the gaps

If you have trouble sleeping (1) of the month, it
could be because of a full moon. Scientists from the University of
Washington say there is (2) the lunar cycle and
sleeping patterns. They say that on nights when there is a full moon, people
could experience (3) The reason for this could be
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brightness in the night sky (4) sleep. The scientists
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other sources of light, this source of nocturnal light could have
(6) in [changing] human nocturnal activity and
sleep."
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people. Each person wore a special wristband that tracked their sleep. The
study included 98 people from an isolated (8)
Argentina. These people did not have access to electricity and other artificial
light sources. Their sleep patterns (9) 464 people
living in U.S. city of Seattle, which has (10) light
pollution. The scientists discovered that people in the rural village and in the
big city got less sleep on the nights (11) the full
moon. The scientists said the artificial light in cities does not seem to affect
sleeping patterns and that, "human sleep is synchronised
(12)

# **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html

1.	What university are the scientists from who conducted the study?
2.	What did scientists say was linked to sleeping patterns?
3.	What kind of sleep did the scientists say people could experience?
4.	What additional thing does the Moon have when it is full?
5.	What adjective did scientists use to describe light at night?
6.	How many people took part in the study?
7.	Where did 98 people in the study live?
8.	Where did 464 people in the study live?
9.	What did scientists say does not seem to affect sleeping patterns?
10.	What did scientists say is synchronised with lunar phases?

# **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ**

- 1) What university are the scientists from who conducted the study?
- a) New York
- b) Washington
- c) Wyoming
- d) California
- 2) What did scientists say was linked to sleeping patterns?
- a) the wash cycle
- b) the solar cycle
- c) the recycle
- d) the lunar cycle
- 3) What kind of sleep did the scientists say people could experience?
- a) exciting
- b) boring
- c) restless
- d) sound
- 4) What additional thing does the Moon have when it is full?
- a) brightness
- b) shadows
- c) power
- d) romance
- 5) What adjective did scientists use to describe light at night?
- a) dark
- b) nocturnal
- c) scary
- d) unhelpful

- 6) How many people took part in the study?
- a) over 500
- b) exactly 500
- c) around 500
- d) fewer than 500
- 7) Where did 98 people in the study live?
- a) a metropolis
- b) a small town
- c) a rural village
- d) the International Space Station
- 8) Where did 464 people in the study live?
- a) Seattle
- b) London
- c) Delhi
- d) Perth
- 9) What did scientists say does not see seem to affect sleeping patterns?
- a) thick curtains
- b) soft pillows
- c) music
- d) artificial light
- 10) What did scientists say is synchronised with lunar phases?
- a) exercise
- b) solar phases
- c) human sleep
- d) nightmares

#### **ROLE PLAY**

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#### Role A – A Dark Room

You think a dark room is the best thing to help you sleep. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): a soft pillow, a good book or exercise.

#### Role B – A Soft Pillow

You think a soft pillow is the best thing to help you sleep. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): a dark room, a good book or exercise.

#### Role C - A Good Book

You think a good book is the best thing to help you sleep. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): a soft pillow, a dark room or exercise.

#### Role D – Exercise

You think exercise is the best thing to help you sleep. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): a soft pillow, a good book or a dark room.

## 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 'sleep' and 'moon'.

sleep	moon

- 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:

trouble	• over
• link	• 98
• reason	<ul> <li>compared</li> </ul>
• extra	• rural
• eye	• cities
• role	• phases

## **SLEEP SURVEY**

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html</a>

Write five GOOD questions about sleep 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.

## **SLEEP 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 'sleep'?
- 3. What are your sleeping patterns like?
- 4. What do you do if you have trouble sleeping?
- 5. How interested are you in the Moon?
- 6. What effect does the Moon have on us?
- 7. How much do you like sleep?
- 8. What conditions do you need to sleep well?
- 9. What are you like if you have a bad night's sleep?
- 10. Can you sleep any time and anywhere?

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#### **SLEEP 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 'moon'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. What are your sleep patterns like?
- 15. Have you ever slept in a strange place?
- 16. How do lights affect your sleep?
- 17. What do you think of light pollution?
- 18. What do you think of when you look at the Moon?
- 19. Do you prefer a quarter, half or full moon?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask the researchers?

# **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

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# **LANGUAGE - CLOZE**

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		he lunar cycle						
		full moon, ped				-		_
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(4) _	ir	n the night sky	could	interrupt our	sleep.	The scientists	said	: "Moonlight is
so b	right	to the human	eye tl	nat it is (5) _	re	asonable to i	magin	e that, in the
		of other sources				_	t cou	ld have had a
role	(6)	[changing] h	numar	n nocturnal ac	tivity a	and sleep."		
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acce	ss to	electricity and	(9)	artificial l	ight so	ources. Their s	sleep	patterns were
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Put	the c	orrect words	from	the table be	low in	the above a	rticle	
1.	(a)	wrong	(b)	bad	(c)	difficult	(d)	trouble
2.	(a)	think	(b)	sink	(c)	rink	(d)	link
3.	(a)	of	(b)	on	(c)	as	(d)	to
4.	(a)	brightly	(b)	brightness	(c)	bright	(d)	brighten
5.	(a)	whole	(b)	complete	(c)	entirely	(d)	total
6.	(a)	in	(b)	on	(c)	at	(d)	as
7.	(a)	at	(b)	of	(c)	on	(d)	in
8.	(a)	included	(b)	including	(c)	inclusive	(d)	include
9.	(a)	others	(b)	other	(c)	another	(d)	other than
10.	(a)	lunar	(b)	aural	(c)	rural	(d)	oral
11.	(a)	off	(b)	out	(c)	up	(d)	down
12.	(a)	phrases	(b)	phaser	(c)	phasing	(d)	phases

#### **SPELLING**

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## Paragraph 1

- 1. trouble sleeping at tcnerai times
- 2. the <u>narul</u> cycle
- 3. <u>prttrieun</u> our sleep
- 4. it is nlytieer reasonable to imagine
- 5. other ecssruo of light
- 6. human octanruln activity

## Paragraph 2

- 7. scientists <u>ccentduod</u> a study
- 8. Each person wore a special wbranitds
- 9. 98 people from an aetsidlo village
- 10. lots of <u>iraftliaci</u> light pollution
- 11. scientists idsecvdreo that
- 12. lunar <u>easshp</u>

## **PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER**

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html</a>

#### Number these lines in the correct order.

(	1 )	If you have trouble sleeping at certain times of the month, it could be because of a full moon. Scientists
(	)	sky could interrupt our sleep. The scientists said: "Moonlight is so bright to the human eye that it is entirely reasonable to
(	)	imagine that, in the absence of other sources of light, this source of nocturnal
(	)	be the Moon's changing brightness. When there is a full moon, the extra brightness in the night
(	)	patterns and that, "human sleep is synchronised with lunar phases."
(	)	on nights when there is a full moon, people could experience more restless sleep. The reason for this could
(	)	light could have had a role in [changing] human nocturnal activity and sleep."
(	)	compared to 464 people living in U.S. city of Seattle, which has lots of artificial light pollution. The scientists discovered that people in the
(	)	from the University of Washington say there is a link between the lunar cycle and sleeping patterns. They say that
(	)	Argentina. These people did not have access to electricity and other artificial light sources. Their sleep patterns were
(	)	rural village and in the big city got less sleep on the nights leading up to the full
(	)	The scientists conducted a study of the sleep patterns of over 500 people. Each person wore a special
(	)	wristband that tracked their sleep. The study included 98 people from an isolated village in rural
(	)	moon. The scientists said the artificial light in cities does not seem to affect sleeping

## PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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- 1. times . sleeping certain you at trouble If have
- 2. be could a moon . of because full It
- 3. the reason could The changing be brightness . Moon's
- 4. is Moonlight to the so human bright eye .
- 5. of the sources of other In absence light .
- 6. people . study patterns of A sleep of 500
- 7. their sleep . special A that wristband tracked
- 8. electricity . not people did access These to have
- 9. up the nights On leading moon . full to
- 10. to affect in does not cities Light sleep . seem

# **CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon.html

If you have *trouble / troubled* sleeping at certain times of the month, it could be *because / due* of a full moon. Scientists from the University of Washington say there is a *link / join* between the lunar cycle and sleeping patterns. They say that *in / on* nights when there is a full moon, people could experience more *restless / restful* sleep. The reason for this could be the Moon's changing *bright / brightness*. When there is a full moon, the extra brightness in the night sky could interrupt *our / my* sleep. The scientists said: "Moonlight is so bright to the human *eye / see* that it is entirely reasonable to imagine that, in the *absence / absent* of other sources of light, this source of nocturnal light could have had a *roll / role* in [changing] human nocturnal activity and sleep."

The scientists *conduct / conducted* a study of the sleep patterns of over 500 people. Each person wore a special wristband that *tricked / tracked* their sleep. The study included 98 people from an *isolate / isolated* village in rural Argentina. These people did not have *access / excess* to electricity and other artificial light *sources / sauces*. Their sleep patterns were *compared / comparison* to 464 people living in U.S. city of Seattle, which has lots of artificial *lights / light* pollution. The scientists discovered that people in the rural village and in the big city got *less / fewer* sleep on the nights leading up to the full moon. The scientists said the artificial light in cities does not *seem / seen* to affect sleeping patterns and that, "human sleep is synchronised with lunar *phrases / phases*."

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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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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if you have trouble sleeping at certain times of the month it could be

because of a full moon scientists from the university of washington say there

is a link between the lunar cycle and sleeping patterns they say that on

nights when there is a full moon people could experience more restless sleep

the reason for this could be the moons changing brightness when there is a

full moon the extra brightness in the night sky could interrupt our sleep the

scientists said moonlight is so bright to the human eye that it is entirely

reasonable to imagine that in the absence of other sources of light this

source of nocturnal light could have had a role in changing human nocturnal

activity and sleep

the scientists conducted a study of the sleep patterns of over 500 people

each person wore a special wristband that tracked their sleep the study

included 98 people from an isolated village in rural argentina these people

did not have access to electricity and other artificial light sources their sleep

patterns were compared to 464 people living in us city of seattle which has

lots of artificial light pollution the scientists discovered that people in the

rural village and in the big city got less sleep on the nights leading up to the

full moon the scientists said the artificial light in cities does not seem to

affect sleeping patterns and that human sleep is synchronised with lunar

phases

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# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Ifyouhavetroublesleepingatcertaintimesofthemonth, it could be beca useofafullmoon.ScientistsfromtheUniversityofWashingtonsaytherei salinkbetweenthelunarcycleandsleepingpatterns. Theysaythatonnig htswhenthereisafullmoon, people could experience more restless slee p.ThereasonforthiscouldbetheMoon'schangingbrightness.Whenthe reisafullmoon, the extra brightness in the nightsky could interrupt oursl eep.Thescientistssaid:"Moonlightissobrighttothehumaneyethatitise ntirelyreasonabletoimaginethat, in the absence of other sources of light ,thissourceofnocturnallightcouldhavehadarolein[changing]humann octurnalactivityandsleep."Thescientistsconductedastudyofthesleep patternsofover500people. Each person wore aspecial wrist band that tr ackedtheirsleep. The study included 98 people from an isolated village in ruralArgentina.Thesepeopledidnothaveaccesstoelectricityandother artificiallightsources. Theirsleeppatternswere compared to 464 people livinginU.S.cityofSeattle, which has lots of artificial light pollution. Thes cientistsdiscoveredthatpeopleintheruralvillageandinthebigcitygotle sssleeponthenightsleadinguptothefullmoon. The scientists said the art ificiallightincities does not seem to affect sleeping patterns and that, "hu mansleepissynchronisedwithlunarphases."

## **FREE WRITING**

Write about <b>sleep</b> for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.				

# **ACADEMIC WRITING**

The Moon has lots of unknown powers over our lives. Discuss.				

#### **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. SLEEP:** Make a poster about sleep. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?
- **4. LIGHT-BLOCKING CURTAINS:** Write a magazine article about all of us using light-blocking curtains to get better sleep. 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 sleep. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to get better sleep. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

## **ANSWERS**

## **VOCABULARY (p.4)**

1. С 2. е 3. d 4. а 5. f 6. g 7. b 8. k 9. 10. i 11. 12. 13. i 14. Τ h n m

#### TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

#### **SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)**

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

#### **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)**

#### **WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)**

1.	Washington	1.	If you have trouble sleeping at certain times.
2.	The lunar cycle	2.	It could be because of a full moon.
3.	Restless	3.	The reason could be the Moon's changing brightness.
4.	Brightness	4.	Moonlight is so bright to the human eye.
5.	Nocturnal	5.	In the absence of other sources of light.
6.	Over 500 (562)	6.	A study of sleep patterns of 500 people.
7.	A rural village in Argentina	7.	A special wristband that tracked their sleep.
8.	Seattle	8.	These people did not have access to electricity.
9.	Artificial light	9.	On nights leading up to the full moon.
10.	Human sleep	10.	Light in cities does not seem to affect sleep.

## **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)**

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

#### **ALL OTHER EXERCISES**

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