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## **Level 6** - 26th May, 2021

### Dating app asks 'Are you sure?' before hitting send

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#### THE ARTICLE

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

The dating app Tinder has launched a new feature designed to help reduce online harassment. The app uses an algorithm to detect potentially abusive content contained in a message created by the user. Artificial intelligence is used to create a database that flags up examples of abusive or inappropriate language. After the author of the message presses 'send', a small box pops up that asks, "Are you sure?" or "AYS?" Developers at Tinder are optimistic the new feature will drastically cut the number of abusive messages sent on the platform. They say that while testing the app, the volume of such messages fell by 10 per cent. The new feature has been rolled out on English and Japanese versions of the app.

The Tinder dating app allows users to anonymously swipe photos and like or dislike the profiles of possible love matches based on photos, biographies and common interests. Once the app deems two users as being "matched", they can exchange messages and arrange a date. While the app has resulted in many finding love, like similar apps, it has been abused. AYS works on the concept of "act in haste, repent at leisure". The company says AYS is its response to keeping Tinder a safe environment. It said: "The early results...show us that intervention done the right way can be really meaningful in changing behaviour and building a community where everyone feels like they can be themselves."

Sources: https://www.**techradar.com**/news/tinder-will-alert-users-before-they-send-offensive-messages https://**mashable.com**/article/tinder-are-you-sure/

#### **WARM-UPS**

- **1. DATING APP:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about dating apps. 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?

dating / app / harassment / abusive / database / language / message / sure / version swipe / profile / biography / date / haste / repent / leisure / results / community

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

- **3. PUNISHMENT:** Students A **strongly** believe there should be very harsh punishments for online abuse; Students B **strongly** believe there shouldn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.
- **4. MATCHES:** How important are these things in a partner? What would you say about yourself regarding these things? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Importance	Ме
Intelligence		
Looks		
Politics		
Humour		
Hobbies		
Salary		

- **5. MESSAGE:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "message". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.
- **6. APPS:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

Dating

Weather

• Sport

News

Maps

· Social media

English

Fashion

#### **VOCABULARY MATCHING**

#### Paragraph 1

- launched a. Discover or identify the presence or existence of.
- 2. harassment b. Introduce a new product, feature or publication to the public for the first time.
- 3. algorithm c. A set of rules to be followed in calculations or other problem-solving operations, especially by a computer.
- 4. detect d. Hopeful and confident about the future.
- 5. abusive e. A particular form of something differing in certain respects from an earlier forms.
- 6. optimistic f. Aggressive pressure or bullying.
- 7. version g. Extremely offensive and insulting.

#### Paragraph 2

- 8. anonymously h. Regard or consider in a specified way.
- 9. swipe i. The action or process of sorting out other people's affairs.
- 10. biography j. Feel or express sincere regret about one's wrongdoing.
- 11. deem k. Brief details about someone's life.
- 12. haste | Excessive speed or urgency of movement or action; hurry.
- 13. repent m. In a way that prevents a person from being identified by name.
- 14. intervention n. Move one's finger(s) across a touchscreen in order to activate a function.

## **BEFORE READING / LISTENING**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

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

- 1. Tinder's new app will stop online harassment. T / F
- 2. Tinder's new app uses artificial intelligence to flag up abusive content. T / F
- 3. A message asking the user "Are you sure?" appears in a pop-up box. **T / F**
- 4. The "Are You Sure?" feature is currently only on the English Tinder. T / F
- 5. Tinder users look at biographies and profiles of other users. **T / F**
- 6. Once Tinder matches two people, they get each other's phone number. T / F
- 7. Tinder said the app was for people to repent in haste and act in leisure. **T / F**
- 8. Tinder wants people to be themselves online. **T/F**

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

- 1. launched
- 2. harassment
- 3. flags up
- 4. pops up
- 5. volume
- 6. profiles
- 7. interests
- 8. exchange
- 9. haste
- 10. behaviour

- a. descriptions
- b. appears
- c. conduct
- d. intimidation
- e. swap
- f. started
- g. hurriedness
- h. amount
- i. highlights
- i. hobbies

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

- 1. The dating app Tinder has
- 2. help reduce online
- 3. detect potentially
- 4. of abusive or inappropriate
- 5. The new feature has been rolled
- 6. profiles of possible
- 7. they can exchange messages
- 8. act in haste,
- 9. its response to keeping Tinder
- 10. building a

- a. love matches
- b. repent at leisure
- c. language
- d. abusive content
- e. community
- f. launched a new feature
- g. a safe environment
- h. out
- i. harassment
- j. and arrange a date

## **GAP FILL**

The dating app Tinder has (1) a new feature	database
designed to help reduce online harassment. The app uses an	pops
(2) to detect potentially abusive content	
contained in a message created by the user. Artificial intelligence	volume
is used to create a (3) that flags up examples	launched
of (4) or inappropriate language. After the	rolled
author of the message presses 'send', a small box	abusive
up that asks, "Are you sure?" or "AYS?"  Developers at Tinder are optimistic the new feature will	algorithm
(6) cut the number of abusive messages sent	drastically
on the platform. They say that while testing the app, the	
of such messages fell by 10 per cent. The	
new feature has been (8) out on English and	
Japanese versions of the app.	
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(9) photos and like or dislike the profiles of	matches
possible love (10) based on photos,	community
biographies and common interests. Once the app	community
(11) two users as being "matched", they can	deems
exchange messages and arrange a date. While the app has	intervention
(12) in many finding love, like similar apps, it	concept
has been abused. AYS works on the $(13)$ of	
"act in haste, (14) at leisure". The company	swipe
says AYS is its response to keeping Tinder a safe environment. It	repent
said: "The early resultsshow us that (15)	
done the right way can be really meaningful in changing behaviour	
and building a (16) where everyone feels like	
they can be themselves."	

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

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6)	a. b. c.	e Tinder dating app allows users to anonymously swipe photos swift photos swap photos wipe photos
7)	a. b. c.	ssible love matches based on photos, biographies and common interests commonly interests commons interests
8)	a. b. c.	ey can exchange messages and derange a date a range a date arrange a date harangue a date
9)	a. b. c.	S works on the concept of act in haste, resent at leisure recent at leisure repent at leisure reap pent at leisure
10	) d	one the right way can be really meaningful in changing behaviour and
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## **LISTENING** – Listen and fill in the gaps

The dating app Tinder has launched (1)	designed to
help reduce online harassment. The app uses an (2)	
potentially abusive content contained in a message content	reated by the user.
Artificial intelligence is used to create a database (3)	
examples of abusive or inappropriate language. After	the author of the
message presses 'send', a small box pops up that asks	, "Are you sure?" or
"AYS?" Developers at Tinder (4)	new feature will
drastically cut the number of abusive messages sent or	the platform. They
say that while testing the app, the (5)	messages fell
by 10 per cent. The new feature has been (6)	
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like or dislike the (8) love	matches based on
photos, biographies and common interests.	Once the app
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messages and arrange a date. While the app has resul	ted in many finding
love, (10), it has been abused	. AYS works on the
concept of "act in haste, (11)".	. The company says
AYS is its response to keeping Tinder a safe environmen	t. It said: "The early
resultsshow us (12) the righ	t way can be really
meaningful in changing behaviour and building a commu	nity where everyone
feels like they can be themselves."	

## **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

1.	What does the Tinder app use to help reduce online harassment?
2.	What is artificial intelligence used to create?
3.	What pops up in the app?
4.	How confident are Tinder developers that the feature will work?
5.	In what two languages has the new feature been rolled out?
6.	What does the app allow users to swipe?
7.	What can users exchange once a match has been established?
8.	What has the app led to many people finding?
9.	What kind of environment does Tinder want to create?
10.	What does Tinder want people to feel they can be?

## **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

- 1) What does the Tinder app use to help reduce online harassment?
- a) penalties
- b) an algorithm
- c) bans
- d) harassment hunters
- 2) What is artificial intelligence used to create?
- a) fear
- b) brains
- c) a database
- d) a decent society
- 3) What pops up in the app?
- a) an ad
- b) a warning
- c) a scary face
- d) a box
- 4) How confident are Tinder developers that the feature will work?
- a) not very
- b) they are optimistic
- c) they are a little pessimistic
- d) supremely confident
- 5) In what two languages has the new feature been rolled out?
- a) English and Japanese
- b) German and Portuguese
- c) Icelandic and Norwegian
- d) Arabic and Hindi

- 6) What does the app allow users to swipe?
- a) photos
- b) a screen
- c) left
- d) abusive content
- 7) What can users exchange once a match has been established?
- a) gifts
- b) smartphones
- c) cards
- d) messages
- 8) What has the app led to many people finding?
- a) money
- b) problems
- c) love
- d) old flames
- 9) What kind of environment does Tinder want to create?
- a) a racy environment
- b) a digital environment
- c) a loving environment
- d) a safe environment
- 10) What does Tinder want people to feel they can be?
- a) lovers
- b) themselves
- c) honest
- d) married

#### **ROLE PLAY**

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#### Role A – Dating

You think a dating app is the best app. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their apps. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these apps (and why): weather, maps or English.

#### Role B - Weather

You think a weather app is the best app. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their apps. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these apps (and why): dating, maps or English.

#### Role C - Maps

You think a maps app is the best app. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their apps. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these apps (and why): weather, dating or English.

#### Role D - English

You think an English app is the best app. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their apps. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these apps (and why): weather, maps or dating.

## AFTER READING / LISTENING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'dating' and 'app'.

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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> <li>launched</li> </ul>	• swipe
• detect	• common
• flags	<ul> <li>exchange</li> </ul>
• pops	<ul><li>concept</li></ul>
• cut	• right
<ul> <li>versions</li> </ul>	• feels

#### **DATING APP SURVEY**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

Write five GOOD questions about dating app 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.

#### DATING APP 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 'dating'?
- 3. What do you think of dating apps?
- 4. What are the good and bad things about dating apps?
- 5. Why is there so much online harassment?
- 6. Have you ever regretted sending a message online?
- 7. Is the 'Are You Sure?' button a good idea?
- 8. What other buttons do apps need?
- 9. What should happen to people who are abusive online?
- 10. What advice do you have for people who are abused online?

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#### DATING APP 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 'app'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. Would you use a dating app?
- 15. What is the best way to find a partner?
- 16. When was the last time you acted in haste?
- 17. How has dating changed over the years?
- 18. What is your idea of a perfect date?
- 19. What is your idea of a perfect partner?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask Tinder?

## **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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3.	(a)	bunting	(b)	streamers	(c)	banners	(d)	flags
4.	(a)	plops	(b)	pops	(c)	props	(d)	poops
5.	(a)	stage	(b)	platform	(c)	policy	(d)	podium
6.	(a)	ruled	(b)	riled	(c)	rolled	(d)	rallied
7.	(a)	patches	(b)	ratchets	(c)	matches	(d)	hatches
8.	(a)	on	(b)	of	(c)	in	(d)	at
9.	(a)	as	(b)	on	(c)	to	(d)	of
10.	(a)	response	(b)	respite	(c)	dispense	(d)	disperse
11.	(a)	meaningful	(b)	function	(c)	conversion	(d)	ambition
12.	(a)	ourselves	(b)	selves	(c)	themselves	(d)	yourselves

#### **SPELLING**

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#### Paragraph 1

- 1. necaldhu a new feature
- 2. help reduce online rmahsnseat
- 3. detect potentially ausbvei content
- 4. irapetnriopap language
- 5. dlytaclaisr cut the number
- 6. English and Japanese ovnisesr

### Paragraph 2

- 7. <u>usonmloynay</u> swipe photos
- 8. <u>bspiraoigeh</u> and common interests
- 9. act in tsaeh
- 10. etrpne at leisure
- 11. tnoeitrvinne done the right way
- 12. building a <u>numimtoyc</u>

### **PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER**

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html</a>

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

(	)	by 10 per cent. The new feature has been rolled out on English and Japanese versions of the app.
(	)	user. Artificial intelligence is used to create a database that flags up examples of abusive or inappropriate
(	)	language. After the author of the message presses 'send', a small box pops up that asks, "Are you sure?"
(	)	algorithm to detect potentially abusive content contained in a message created by the
(	)	in many finding love, like similar apps, it has been abused. AYS works on the concept of "act in haste, repent
(	)	of abusive messages sent on the platform. They say that while testing the app, the volume of such messages fell
(	)	The Tinder dating app allows users to anonymously swipe photos and like or dislike the profiles
(	<b>1</b> )	The dating app Tinder has launched a new feature designed to help reduce online harassment. The app uses an
(	)	deems two users as being "matched", they can exchange messages and arrange a date. While the app has resulted
(	)	of possible love matches based on photos, biographies and common interests. Once the app
(	)	us that intervention done the right way can be really meaningful in changing
(	)	behaviour and building a community where everyone feels like they can be themselves."
(	)	or "AYS?" Developers at Tinder are optimistic the new feature will drastically cut the number
(	)	at leisure". The company says AYS is its response to keeping Tinder a safe environment. It said: "The early resultsshow

#### PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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- 1. new The has a feature . dating app launched
- 2. Detect in content contained abusive a message . potentially
- 3. is used intelligence Artificial to a database . create
- 4. cut abusive of number messages . the Drastically
- 5. volume such by of messages 10%. The fell
- 6. anonymously The users to allows swipe photos . app
- 7. has many finding The resulted app love . in
- 8. to Tinder safe environment . response a keeping Its
- 9. can right Intervention be way done meaningful . the
- 10. feels like be Everyone can themselves . they

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

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2105/210526-tinder.html

The dating app Tinder has launched a new *future / feature* designed to help reduce online *harasser / harassment*. The app uses an algorithm to *defect / detect* potentially abusive content contained in a message created of / by the user. Artificial intelligence is used to create a database that flags *up / down* examples of abusive or inappropriate language. After the author of the message presses 'send', a small box *props / pops* up that asks, "Are you sure?" or "AYS?" Developers at Tinder are *optimistically / optimistic* the new feature will drastically cut the number of abusive *message / messages* sent on the platform. They say that while testing the app, the volume of such messages *fall / fell* by 10 per cent. The new feature has been rolled *out / in* on English and Japanese versions of the app.

The Tinder dating app *allowances / allows* users to anonymously *swipe / swap* photos and like or dislike the *prolific / profiles* of possible love matches based on photos, biographies and common interests. Once the app deems two users as *been / being* "matched", they can exchange messages and arrange a date. While the app has resulted in many *funding / finding* love, like similar apps, it has been abused. AYS works on the concept of "act in haste, repent *to / at* leisure". The company says AYS is its response to keeping Tinder a safe environment. It said: "The early results...show *them / us* that intervention done the right way can be really *meaning / meaningful* in changing behaviour and building a *community / immunity* where everyone feels like they can be *themselves / ourselves*."

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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the dating app tinder has launched a new feature designed to help reduce

online harassment the app uses an algorithm to detect potentially abusive

content contained in a message created by the user artificial intelligence is

used to create a database that flags up examples of abusive or inappropriate

language after the author of the message presses send a small box pops up

that asks are you sure or ays developers at tinder are optimistic the new

feature will drastically cut the number of abusive messages sent on the

platform they say that while testing the app the volume of such messages

fell by 10 per cent the new feature has been rolled out on english and

japanese versions of the app

the tinder dating app allows users to anonymously swipe photos and like or

dislike the profiles of possible love matches based on photos biographies and

common interests once the app deems two users as being matched they can

exchange messages and arrange a date while the app has resulted in many

finding love like similar apps it has been abused ays works on the concept of

act in haste repent at leisure the company says ays is its response to

keeping tinder a safe environment it said the early resultsshow us that

intervention done the right way can be really meaningful in changing

behaviour and building a community where everyone feels like they can be

themselves

## PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## **FREE WRITING**

Write about <b>dating apps</b> for 10 minutes. Com	ment on your partner's paper.

## **ACADEMIC WRITING**

Dating apps should be much more regulated. 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. DATING APP:** Make a poster about dating app. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?
- **4. ONLINE ABUSE:** Write a magazine article about giving huge fines and lengthy spells in prison for online abuse. 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 dating apps. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on hoe to make them better. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

#### **ANSWERS**

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

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

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

1 F 2 T 3 T 4 F 5 T 6 F 7 F 8 T

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

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

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

#### WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

10. Everyone feels like they can be themselves.

1.	An algorithm	1.	The dating app has launched a new feature.
2.	A database	2.	Detect potentially abusive content contained in a message.
3.	A box	3.	Artificial intelligence is used to create a database.
4.	They are optimistic	4.	Drastically cut the number of abusive messages.
5.	English and Japanese	5.	The volume of such messages fell by 10%.
6.	Photos	6.	The app allows users to anonymously swipe photos.
7.	Messages	7.	The app has resulted in many finding love.
8.	Love	8.	Its response to keeping Tinder a safe environment.
9.	A safe environment	9.	Intervention done the right way can be meaningful.

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

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

#### **ALL OTHER EXERCISES**

10. Themselves

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