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EU bans sale of all animal-tested cosmetics

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THE ARTICLE

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People in Europe will no longer be able to buy cosmetics that were tested on animals. The European Union has banned all cosmetics that were developed using animal testing. The EU is also asking other countries to do the same. The total ban follows an earlier one from 2009, when companies could test on animals for serious human health issues. Tonio Borg, the EU's commissioner for health, said the ban, "gives an important signal on the value that Europe attaches to animal welfare". Mr Borg said the EU would help the industry find different ways of developing new cosmetics. He said this would, "set an example of responsible innovation in cosmetics without any compromise on consumer safety".

Animal rights campaigners say the ban is an important victory. They have campaigned for decades against animal testing. A spokesman from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals charity said: "Animal testing in the name of beauty has never been acceptable." He added the work for animal rights activists was not over. "This is a great day for animals but...there are still many animals being used across the world to develop cosmetics," he said. Cosmetics companies were very angry over the new law. A Cosmetics Europe spokesman said European companies would fall behind in developing new products. He added that, "consumers in Europe won't have access to new products".

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-21740745>
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WARM-UPS

1. ANIMAL TESTING: Walk around the class and talk to other students about animal testing. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words from the article are most interesting and which are most boring.

cosmetics / animal testing / total ban / health issues / animal welfare / innovation / campaigners / important victory / a great day / very angry / developing new products

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

3. ANIMAL WELFARE: How can we make sure animals are safe? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Dangers	How to keep them safe
Testing products		
Horse racing		
Zoos		
As pets		
In movies		
Police dogs		

4. ANIMAL TESTING: Students A **strongly** believe no one should ever test anything on animals; Students B **strongly** believe it's OK sometimes. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. COSMETICS: Which cosmetics are unnecessary? Rank these and share your rankings with your partner. Put the most unnecessary at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- mascara
- foundation
- lipstick
- blusher
- eye liner
- nail polish
- moisturizer
- face masks

6. TESTING: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word 'testing'. Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/2013/130313-animal_testing.html

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

- a. Cosmetics tested on animals will be banned in Europe from next year. T / F
- b. A ban was introduced in 2009 but it wasn't a total ban. T / F
- c. An EU spokesperson said Europe thinks animal welfare is important. T / F
- d. The EU will not help cosmetics companies develop different methods. T / F
- e. Animal rights campaigners were not happy with the ban. T / F
- f. A charity spokesperson said there was more work to be done. T / F
- g. Cosmetics companies weren't happy with the animal testing situation. T / F
- h. An industry spokesperson suggested customers would have less choice. T / F

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1. banned | a. OK |
| 2. attaches | b. new methods |
| 3. welfare | c. activists |
| 4. innovation | d. mad |
| 5. consumer | e. stopped |
| 6. campaigners | f. brutality |
| 7. cruelty | g. links |
| 8. acceptable | h. customer |
| 9. angry | i. goods |
| 10. products | j. health |

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

- | | |
|--|----------------------|
| 1. cosmetics that were | a. issues |
| 2. The EU is also asking other countries | b. an example |
| 3. health | c. behind |
| 4. set | d. to new products |
| 5. consumer | e. tested on animals |
| 6. the ban is an important | f. to do the same |
| 7. campaigned | g. of beauty |
| 8. testing in the name | h. safety |
| 9. European companies would fall | i. victory |
| 10. access | j. for decades |

GAP FILL

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/2013/130313-animal_testing.html

People in Europe will no (1) _____ be able to buy cosmetics that were tested on animals. The European Union has (2) _____ all cosmetics that were developed using animal testing. The EU is also asking other countries to do the same. The (3) _____ ban follows an earlier one from 2009, when companies could test on animals for (4) _____ human health issues. Tonio Borg, the EU's commissioner for health, said the ban, "gives an important (5) _____ on the value that Europe attaches to animal (6) _____ ". Mr Borg said the EU would help the industry find different ways of developing new cosmetics. He said this would, "set an (7) _____ of responsible innovation in cosmetics without any compromise on consumer (8) _____ ".

signal
total
example
longer
safety
banned
welfare
serious

Animal rights campaigners say the ban is an important (9) _____. They have campaigned for (10) _____ against animal testing. A spokesman from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals charity said: "Animal testing in the name of (11) _____ has never been acceptable." He added the work for animal rights (12) _____ was not over. "This is a great day for animals but...there are still many animals being used across the world to (13) _____ cosmetics," he said. Cosmetics companies were very (14) _____ over the new law. A Cosmetics Europe spokesman said European companies would fall (15) _____ in developing new products. He added that, "consumers in Europe won't have (16) _____ to new products".

develop
behind
decades
access
beauty
victory
angry
activists

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check

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- 1) People in Europe will no longer be able to buy cosmetics that _____
 - a. were testing on animals
 - b. were tested in animals
 - c. were tested on animal
 - d. were tested on animals
- 2) The European Union has banned all cosmetics that were developed _____
 - a. uses animal testing
 - b. using animals testing
 - c. using animal testing
 - d. using animal tests
- 3) companies could test on animals for serious _____
 - a. human health issues
 - b. human healthy issues
 - c. human health tissues
 - d. humans health tissues
- 4) the value that Europe attaches _____
 - a. too animals welfare
 - b. too animal warfare
 - c. two animal well fair
 - d. to animal welfare
- 5) innovation in cosmetics without any compromise _____
 - a. in consumer safety
 - b. on consumer safety
 - c. an consumers safety
 - d. on consumer safe
- 6) Animal rights campaigners say the ban _____
 - a. is an important victorious
 - b. was an important victory
 - c. is an important victory
 - d. was and important victory
- 7) They have campaigned for decades _____
 - a. against animals testing
 - b. against animal tests
 - c. against animals tested
 - d. against animal testing
- 8) Animal testing in the name of beauty has _____
 - a. never been acceptable
 - b. never been acceptable
 - c. never been acceptable
 - d. never been acceptable
- 9) there are still many animals being used across the world _____
 - a. to develop cosmetics
 - b. for develop cosmetics
 - c. to develops cosmetics
 - d. for develops cosmetics
- 10) consumers in Europe won't have _____
 - a. access to new products
 - b. access of new products
 - c. access by new products
 - d. access from new products

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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People in Europe will (1) _____ buy cosmetics that were tested on animals. The European Union has banned all cosmetics that were (2) _____ testing. The EU is also asking other countries to do the same. The (3) _____ one from 2009, when companies could test on animals for serious human health issues. Tonio Borg, the EU's commissioner for health, said the ban, "gives an important (4) _____ Europe attaches to animal welfare". Mr Borg (5) _____ the industry find different ways of developing new cosmetics. He said this would, "set an example of (6) _____ cosmetics without any compromise on consumer safety".

Animal rights campaigners say the (7) _____. They have campaigned (8) _____ testing. A spokesman from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals charity said: "Animal (9) _____ beauty has never been acceptable." He added the work for animal rights activists was not over. "This is a great day for animals but...there (10) _____ used across the world to develop cosmetics," he said. Cosmetics companies were very (11) _____. A Cosmetics Europe spokesman said European companies would (12) _____ new products. He added that, "consumers in Europe won't have access to new products".

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/2013/130313-animal_testing.html

1. Who won't be able to buy cosmetics tested on animals?

2. What does the EU want other countries to do?

3. When did the EU introduce the first ban?

4. What does Europe attach value to?

5. What won't the EU commissioner for health compromise?

6. For how long have activists campaigned against animal testing?

7. What did a charity say has never been OK?

8. Why isn't the work over for animal rights campaigners?

9. How did cosmetics companies feel about the new law?

10. What won't customers in Europe be able to buy?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/2013/130313-animal_testing.html

1. What kind of cosmetics won't people in Europe be able to buy?
 - a) those made in Europe
 - b) those for animals
 - c) those from non-European countries
 - d) those tested on animals
2. What does the EU want other countries to do?
 - a) buy European cosmetics
 - b) ban cosmetics tested on animals
 - c) test European cosmetics on animals
 - d) ban all cosmetics
3. When was the first ban?
 - a) 2006
 - b) 2007
 - c) 2008
 - d) 2009
4. What does the ban tell the world about Europe?
 - a) it wants the world to develop new products
 - b) it doesn't like cosmetics
 - c) it cares about the health of animals
 - d) people in Europe want to use fewer cosmetics
5. What will the EU not compromise?
 - a) cosmetics quality
 - b) animal rights
 - c) innovation
 - d) consumer safety
6. How do animals rights campaigners feel about the ban?
 - a) they think the EU isn't telling the truth
 - b) they're not happy
 - c) they think it's an important victory
 - d) they're very angry
7. What did a charity say has never been acceptable?
 - a) animal testing in the name of beauty
 - b) cosmetics for animals
 - c) cosmetics made from animals
 - d) campaigning for decades
8. Why isn't the work done for animal rights activists?
 - a) they say there isn't enough innovation
 - b) they want all cosmetics banned
 - c) other countries are testing on animals
 - d) because it isn't a great day
9. How did cosmetics companies feel about the ban?
 - a) they didn't say
 - b) they were angry
 - c) they accepted it
 - d) they want a wider ban
10. What won't customers in Europe be able to buy?
 - a) new kinds of cosmetics
 - b) red lipsticks
 - c) cosmetics
 - d) things that fell behind

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Cosmetics company boss

You are angry that the EU will not let anyone sell cosmetics tested on animals. Tell the others three reasons why. You may have to close some of your factories. People will lose their jobs. The image of your company will also be damaged.

Role B – Animal rights campaigner

You are happy that the EU will not let anyone sell cosmetics tested on animals. Tell the others three reasons why. Testing on animals is something from the last century, not this one. New jobs will be made for new ways of testing chemicals.

Role C – Cosmetics store owner

You are angry that the EU will not let anyone sell cosmetics tested on animals. Tell the others three reasons why. You may go out of business just because of animal rights. You think human rights and jobs are more important.

Role D – Fluffy white rabbit

You are happy that the EU will not let anyone sell cosmetics tested on animals. Tell the others three reasons why. You are shocked so many of your friends disappeared in testing labs. Animals have rights too.

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 'cosmetics' and 'ban'.

cosmetics	ban
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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">• longer• all• follows• signal• help• safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• important• charity• beauty• great• angry• new
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ANIMAL TESTING SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about animal testing 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.

ANIMAL TESTING DISCUSSION

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

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'cosmetics'?
- c) What are cosmetics for?
- d) Do you think cosmetics always make people look better?
- e) What do you think of the EU ban on cosmetics tested on animals?
- f) Do you think the whole world will follow the EU?
- g) What do you think of testing cosmetics on animals?
- h) What do you think of testing medicines on animals?
- i) Do you think cosmetics might be more dangerous from now?
- j) What questions would you like to ask a cosmetics company boss?

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ANIMAL TESTING DISCUSSION

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

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Do you think cosmetics are reasonably priced?
- c) Why don't scientists use computers to test cosmetics instead of animals?
- d) Would you work in a lab that tested things on animals?
- e) What rights do animals have?
- f) Would you take a job that meant cosmetics were tested on you?
- g) Are cosmetics harmful to the skin?
- h) What cosmetics do you like?
- i) Do we really need cosmetics?
- j) What questions would you like to ask an animal rights campaigner?

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. _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE - LANGUAGE

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) long | (b) length | (c) longer | (d) longing |
| 2. | (a) all | (b) whole | (c) entire | (d) every |
| 3. | (a) same | (b) name | (c) game | (d) came |
| 4. | (a) serious | (b) series | (c) sores | (d) cereals |
| 5. | (a) amount | (b) volume | (c) cost | (d) value |
| 6. | (a) get | (b) bet | (c) let | (d) set |
| 7. | (a) important | (b) importance | (c) imported | (d) importantly |
| 8. | (a) opposite | (b) again | (c) rival | (d) against |
| 9. | (a) name | (b) shame | (c) blame | (d) game |
| 10. | (a) above | (b) over | (c) around | (d) through |
| 11. | (a) fury | (b) angry | (c) madly | (d) cross |
| 12. | (a) access | (b) recess | (c) success | (d) depress |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. The European Union has bedann all cosmetics
2. serious human health ssseiu
3. the ban gives an important lsinga
4. the EU would help the idusnytr
5. set an xelmaep
6. without any compromise on erusconm safety

Paragraph 2

7. animal rights sgireanmacp
8. an important itovryc
9. They have campaigned for asddece
10. animal rights acvisitst
11. A Cosmetics Europe msnokesap
12. access to new rtpcdsuo

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () in developing new products. He added that, "consumers in Europe won't have access to new products".
- () activists was not over. "This is a great day for animals but...there are still many animals being
- () used across the world to develop cosmetics," he said. Cosmetics companies were very
- () against animal testing. A spokesman from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
- () serious human health issues. Tonio Borg, the EU's commissioner for health, said the ban, "gives an important
- () an example of responsible innovation in cosmetics without any compromise on consumer safety".
- () signal on the value that Europe attaches to animal welfare". Mr Borg said the EU would
- () banned all cosmetics that were developed using animal testing. The EU is also asking other
- (**1**) People in Europe will no longer be able to buy cosmetics that were tested on animals. The European Union has
- () angry over the new law. A Cosmetics Europe spokesman said European companies would fall behind
- () Animal rights campaigners say the ban is an important victory. They have campaigned for decades
- () help the industry find different ways of developing new cosmetics. He said this would, "set
- () countries to do the same. The total ban follows an earlier one from 2009, when companies could test on animals for
- () charity said: "Animal testing in the name of beauty has never been acceptable." He added the work for animal rights

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. will Europe in People cosmetics buy to able be longer no.

2. testing were developed All using cosmetics animal that.

3. asking also is EU The same the do to countries other.

4. animal that welfare Europe attaches The to value.

5. in example cosmetics of responsible Set innovation an.

6. campaigned testing for decades They against have animal.

7. the name of beauty has never been acceptable Testing in.

8. work the added He over not was activists rights animal for.

9. companies angry new Cosmetics very the were over law.

10. in have new Consumers won't to Europe access products.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/2013/130313-animal_testing.html

People in Europe will no *longer / longing* be able to buy cosmetics that were tested on animals. The European Union has *binned / banned* all cosmetics that were developed *using / uses* animal testing. The EU is also asking other countries to do the *same / similar*. The total ban follows an earlier one from 2009, when companies could test on animals for *series / serious* human health issues. Tonio Borg, the EU's *commission / commissioner* for health, said the ban, "gives an important signal on the *value / valve* that Europe attaches *at / to* animal welfare". Mr Borg said the EU would help the industry find different ways of *development / developing* new cosmetics. He said this would, "set an example of responsible innovation in cosmetics without any compromise on consumer *safe / safety*".

Animal rights campaigners say the ban is an *important / importance* victory. They have campaigned for *decade / decades* against animal testing. A spokesman from the Royal Society for the *Prevention / Prevents* of Cruelty to Animals charity said: "Animal testing *in / on* the name of beauty has never been *accepts / acceptable*." He added the work for animal rights activists was not *under / over*. "This is a great day for animals but...there are still many animals being *uses / used* across the world to develop cosmetics," he said. Cosmetics companies were very *angry / anger* over the new law. A Cosmetics Europe spokesman said European companies would *fall / lose* behind in developing new products. He added that, "consumers in Europe won't have *access / accesses* to new products".

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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pr_d_cts".

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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animal rights campaigners say the ban is an important victory they have campaigned for decades against animal testing a spokesman from the royal society for the prevention of cruelty to animals charity said "animal testing in the name of beauty has never been acceptable" he added the work for animal rights activists was not over "this is a great day for animals but...there are still many animals being used across the world to develop cosmetics" he said cosmetics companies were very angry over the new law a cosmetics europe spokesman said european companies would fall behind in developing new products he added that "consumers in europe won't have access to new products"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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 animal testing. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. COSMETICS: Make a poster about animal testing for cosmetics. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. BAN: Write a magazine article about the ban on cosmetics that have been tested on animals. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against the ban.

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 a cosmetics company boss. Ask him/her three questions about animal testing. Give him/her three of your opinions on it. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. banned | a. stopped |
| 2. attaches | b. links |
| 3. welfare | c. health |
| 4. innovation | d. new methods |
| 5. consumer | e. customer |
| 6. campaigners | f. activists |
| 7. cruelty | g. brutality |
| 8. acceptable | h. OK |
| 9. angry | i. mad |
| 10. products | j. goods |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. People in Europe
2. Stop selling cosmetics that were tested on animals
3. 2009
4. Animal welfare
5. Consumer safety
6. Decades
7. Animal testing in the name of beauty
8. Animals are still being used to develop cosmetics
9. They were angry
10. New products

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. d 2. b 3. d 4. c 5. d 6. c 7. a 8. c 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 ;-)