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Doctors say hospitals should ban perfumes

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1510/151008-hospitals-4.html>

Doctors want to ban perfumes and aftershaves in hospitals and clinics. They say these contain chemicals that cause asthma and allergies. Over half of asthma attacks are caused by strong smells, such as perfumes and aftershaves. Two doctors from McGill University wrote about the dangers of smells in hospitals. They said all hospitals should be free from artificial scents, to promote "the safety of patients, staff and visitors alike".

About one third of people say they are physically affected by smells. The doctors said this is a worry in hospitals. They said although perfumes make us smell nicer, they may harm weaker people. There is more and more proof that perfume makes asthma worse. Doctors say this is worrying in hospitals where there are many patients with asthma. They warn that perfumes and aftershaves can make patients sicker.

Sources: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/health/news/11912457/Perfumes-and-aftershaves-should-be-banned-from-hospitals.html>
<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-3260722/Ban-perfume-aftershave-hospitals-Doctors-complain-artificial-fragrances-triggering-patient-asthma-attacks-allergies.html>
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MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Doctors want | a. and aftershaves |
| 2. these contain chemicals that | b. attacks |
| 3. Over half of asthma | c. scents |
| 4. caused | d. to ban perfumes |
| 5. perfumes | e. of patients |
| 6. wrote | f. cause asthma |
| 7. free from artificial | g. by strong smells |
| 8. the safety | h. about the dangers |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. About one | a. asthma worse |
| 2. physically affected | b. is worrying |
| 3. this is a worry | c. more proof |
| 4. There is more and | d. by smells |
| 5. perfume makes | e. sicker |
| 6. Doctors say this | f. in hospitals |
| 7. there are many patients | g. third of people |
| 8. make patients | h. with asthma |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Doctors (1) _____ perfumes and aftershaves in hospitals and clinics. They (2) _____ chemicals that cause asthma and allergies. Over half of asthma (3) _____ by strong smells, such as perfumes and aftershaves. Two doctors from McGill University (4) _____ dangers of smells in hospitals. They said all hospitals (5) _____ from artificial scents, to promote "the safety of patients, staff (6) _____".

About one third of people (7) _____ physically affected by smells. The doctors said (8) _____ hospitals. They said although perfumes make (9) _____, they may harm weaker people. There is more and (10) _____ perfume makes asthma worse. Doctors say (11) _____ hospitals where there are many patients with asthma. They warn that perfumes and aftershaves (12) _____ sicker.

PERFUME SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about perfume in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

