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Level 4

Gay men refused as blood donors after Orlando shooting

16th June, 2016

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THE READING

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Hundreds of gay men could not give blood after the Orlando nightclub shooting. U.S. law states that blood centers cannot accept donations from gay men who have been sexually active in the past year. The shooting left 50 people dead and 53 injured. The killer, Omar Mateen, 29, used an assault rifle in what is now the deadliest mass shooting in U.S. history. Mateen targeted the LGBT community. He was supposedly angry at seeing two men kissing.

Many in the LGBT community want the law changed. A doctor said donated blood is tested for HIV and other diseases before it is used. He said: "Anybody who meets the basic qualifications...should be able to donate blood." The Atlantic said: "Even after the most deadly act against [the LGBT community] in American history, the built-in homophobia of American public health keeps the country from [organizing] the most effective possible response."

Sources: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2016/06/13/orlando-blood-bank-still-accepting-donations-wake-shooting-gay-club/85824564/>
<http://edition.cnn.com/2016/06/13/health/orlando-shooting-gay-men-donate-blood/index.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. give | a. donations |
| 2. blood centers cannot accept | b. history |
| 3. in the past | c. community |
| 4. an assault | d. blood |
| 5. mass | e. kissing |
| 6. in U.S. | f. year |
| 7. Mateen targeted the LGBT | g. rifle |
| 8. angry at seeing two men | h. shooting |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Many in the LGBT community want | a. qualifications |
| 2. donated blood is | b. and other diseases |
| 3. HIV | c. history |
| 4. Anybody who meets the basic | d. LGBT community |
| 5. the most deadly act against the | e. homophobia |
| 6. in American | f. the law changed |
| 7. built-in | g. response |
| 8. most effective possible | h. tested |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Hundreds of gay men (1) _____ after the Orlando nightclub shooting. U.S. law states that (2) _____ cannot accept donations from gay men who have been sexually active (3) _____. The shooting left 50 people dead and 53 injured. The killer, Omar Mateen, 29, used (4) _____ in what is now the deadliest (5) _____ in U.S. history. Mateen targeted the LGBT community. He was supposedly (6) _____ two men kissing.

Many in the LGBT community want (7) _____. A doctor said donated blood is tested for HIV and other diseases (8) _____. He said: "Anybody who meets the (9) _____...should be able to donate blood." The Atlantic said: "Even after the (10) _____ against [the LGBT community] in American history, the (11) _____ of American public health keeps the country from [organizing] the most (12) _____ response."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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GIVING BLOOD SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about giving blood 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) _____

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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) _____

