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Grapes are good for our eyesight

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THE ARTICLE

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Everybody knows that eating carrots is good for our eyesight. A new study suggests that grapes are also good for our eyes. Researchers from the National University of Singapore have found that eating just a few grapes a day can improve our vision. This is especially so for people who are older. Dr Eun Kim, the lead researcher, said: "Our study is the first to show that grape consumption beneficially impacts eye health in humans, which is very exciting, especially with a growing, ageing population." Dr Kim added that, "grapes are an easily accessible fruit that studies have shown can have a beneficial impact" on our eyesight. This is good news for people who don't really like carrots.

The study is published in the journal "Food & Function". Thirty-four adults took part in a series of experiments over 16 weeks. Half of the participants ate one-and-a-half cups of grapes per day; the other half ate a placebo snack. Dr Kim did not tell the participants or the researchers whether she was testing the grapes or the snack. She thought that not revealing this information would give better test results. She found that people who ate the grapes had improved muscle strength around the retina. The retina passes information about light to the brain via electrical signals. It protects the eyes from damaging blue light. A lot of blue light comes from computer and smartphone screens, and from LED lights.

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WARM-UPS

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

carrots / eyesight / grapes / vision / older people / researcher / health / humans / study / journal / experiment / snack / information / muscle / strength / blue / light

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

- **3. SCREEN TIME:** Students A **strongly** believe we should all halve our screen time to protect our eyes; Students B **strongly** believe that is unnecessary. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.
- **4. GOOD FOOD:** What food can we eat that is good for the things below? Why is it good? How much of this do you eat? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Food	Why It's Good	You
Muscles			
Hair			
Skin			
Stomach			
Cold weather			
Birthdays			

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

- Pineapples
- Strawberries
- Cherries
- Blueberries

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- 1. study a. The ability to see.
- 2. suggest b. So we think about one person or thing over all others.
- 3. improve c. A report full of research and discussion about a subject or situation.
- 4. vision d. All of the people living in a town, city, country or the world.
- 5. especially e. Say or write something to make people think it is true.
- 6. consumption f. Make better.
- 7. population g. The action of eating or drinking something.

Paragraph 2

- 8. journal h. Keep safe from harm or danger.
- 9. series i. A newspaper or magazine that is about a particular subject or professional activity.
- 10. participant j. A number of events, objects, or people of a similar kind coming one after another.
- 11. placebo k. Making unknown or secret information known to others.
- 12. revealing | Something used in testing new drugs on people that has no benefits to the people.
- 13. muscle m. A person who takes part in something.
- 14. protect n. The fleshy parts of our body that make us strong.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2310/231019-grapes-and-eyesight.html

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

- 1. The article says most people know carrots are good for our eyesight. **T/F**
- 2. The researchers are from a university in Singapore. **T/F**
- 3. Researchers say 10 grapes a day will help our eyesight. **T/F**
- 4. The article says most people don't like carrots. **T/F**
- 5. Sixteen people took part in an experiment for 34 weeks. **T/F**
- 6. Test participants didn't know if a snack or grapes were being tested. **T / F**
- 7. People who ate grapes developed stronger muscles in their eyes. **T/F**
- 8. Damaging red light comes from computer screens. **T/F**

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

- 1. eyesight
- 2. found
- 3. especially
- 4. benefit
- 5. impact
- 6. took part
- 7. experiments
- 8. revealing
- 9. protects
- 10. damaging

- a. effect
- b. showing
- c. advantage
- d. discovered
- e. tests
- f. vision
- g. safeguards
- h. particularly
- i. harmful
- j. participated

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

- 1. A new study suggests
- 2. just a few grapes
- 3. This is especially so
- 4. a growing, ageing
- 5. good news for people who
- 6. Thirty-four adults took part in a
- 7. one-and-a-half
- 8. the other half ate a
- 9. improved muscle
- 10. protects the eyes from

- a. for people who are older
- b. placebo snack
- c. series of experiments
- d. damaging blue light
- e. a day
- f. population
- g. strength
- h. that grapes are also good
- i. don't really like carrots
- j. cups of grapes per day

GAP FILL

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our eyesight. A new study (2)	_ that grapes are	suggests
also good for our eyes. Researchers from the N	ational University	accessible
of Singapore have found that eating just a few	grapes a day can	
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of experiments over 16 weeks. Half of the part	ticipants ate one-	screens
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information would give better test results. She f	found that people	series
who ate the grapes had improved muscle (13)		
around the retina. The retina (14)	information	passes
about light to the brain via electric	cal signals. It	
(15) the eyes from damaging	blue light. A lot of	
blue light comes from computer ar	nd smartphone	
(16), and from LED lights.		

LISTENING — Guess the answers. Listen to check.

1)	A new study suggests that grapes are also good a. four our eyes
	b. for our eye
	c. for our eyes
21	d. four our eye
2)	eating just a few grapes a day can a. improve our visor
	b. improve fusion
	c. improve television
	d. improve our vision
3)	show that grape consumption beneficially impacts eye
	a. health in humans
	b. healthy in humansc. health thin humans
	d. hell thin humans
4)	which is very exciting, especially with a
-	a. growing, age in population
	b. grow in, age in population
	c. grow in, ageing populationd. growing, ageing population
5)	This is good news for people who don't
٠,	a. really like carrots
	b. very like carrots
	c. reality like carrots
6)	d. such like carrots
0)	Thirty-four adults took part in a a. services of experiments
	b. series of experiments
	c. series off experiments
	d. serious of experiments
7)	Half of the participants ate one-and-a-half cups of
	a. grapes per dayb. grapes par day
	c. grapes pur day
	d. grapes pore day
8)	She thought that not revealing this information would give
	a. butter test results
	b. better tests resultsc. better test result
	d. better test results
9)	She found that people who ate the grapes had
,	a. improve muscle strong
	b. improves muscle strength
	c. improved muscle strongd. improved muscle strength
10) light to the brain via electrical signals. It protects the eyes from
-0	a. damaging glue light
	b. damaging blue light
	c. damaging brew light
	d. damaging grew light

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

Everybody (1)	carrots is good for our eyesight. A
new study suggests that g	rapes are also good for our eyes. Researchers
from the National Unive	sity of Singapore have found that eating
(2)	grapes a day can improve our vision. This is
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researcher, said: "Our stud	y is the first to show that grape consumption
(4)	health in humans, which is very exciting,
especially with a growing, a	ageing population." Dr Kim added that, "grapes
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would give better test resu	lts. She found that people who ate the grapes
(10)	_ strength around the retina. The retina passes
information about light	to the brain via electrical signals. It
(11)	from damaging blue light. A
(12)	_ light comes from computer and smartphone
screens, and from LED lights	;.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

 $\textbf{From} \quad \underline{\text{https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2310/231019-grapes-and-eyesight.html}}$

1.	Who knows that eating carrots is good for our eyes?
2.	Which country is this research from?
3.	How many grapes a day can improve our vision?
4.	Who in particular can eating grapes help?
5.	What kind of impact did Dr Kim say grapes have on our eyesight?
6.	What's the name of the journal in which the research is published?
7.	For how long did test participants have to eat grapes every day?
8.	What did test participants eat besides grapes?
9.	What part of the eye passes information about light to the brain?
10.	Where does blue light come from besides computers and smartphones?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

- 1) Who knows that eating carrots is good for our eyes?
- a) grape growers
- b) everyone
- c) greengrocers
- d) dentists
- 2) Which country is this research from?
- a) Chile
- b) Bulgaria
- c) France
- d) Singapore
- 3) How many grapes a day can improve our vision?
- a) several
- b) loads
- c) a few
- d) many
- 4) Who in particular can eating grapes help?
- a) older people
- b) wine drinkers
- c) children
- d) doctors
- 5) What kind of impact did Dr Kim say grapes have on our eyesight?
- a) a small impact
- b) a beneficial impact
- c) no impact
- d) a hard impact

- 6) What's the name of the journal in which the research is published?
- a) Food and Function
- b) Function & Food
- c) Grapes & Eyes
- d) Fruit & Health
- 7) For how long did test participants have to eat grapes every day?
- a) 12 weeks
- b) 14 weeks
- c) 16 weeks
- d) 18 weeks
- 8) What did test participants eat besides grapes?
- a) a placebo snack
- b) hamburgers
- c) cherries
- d) rice
- 9) What part of the eye passes information about light to the brain?
- a) the eyelid
- b) eyelashes
- c) the pupil
- d) the retina
- 10) Where does blue light come from besides computers and smartphones?
- a) flashlights
- b) street lights
- c) LED lights
- d) car lights

ROLE PLAY

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Role A - Grapes

You think grapes are the best fruit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their fruit. Also, tell the others which is the least tasty and useful of these (and why): apples, bananas or blueberries.

Role B - Apples

You think apples are the best fruit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their fruit. Also, tell the others which is the least tasty and useful of these (and why): grapes, bananas or blueberries.

Role C - Bananas

You think bananas are the best fruit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their fruit. Also, tell the others which is the least tasty and useful of these (and why): apples, grapes or blueberries.

Role D - Blueberries

You think blueberries are the best fruit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their fruit. Also, tell the others which is the least tasty and useful of these (and why): apples, bananas or grapes.

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 'grape' and 'eyesight'.

grape	eyesight

- 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:

• also	• part
• few	• cups
older	testing
• first	• results
growing	• brain
• shown	• lot

GRAPES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about grapes 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.

GRAPES 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 'grape'?
- 3. How healthy are carrots?
- 4. What can we do to take care of our eyes?
- 5. What's your eyesight like?
- 6. Will you now eat more grapes?
- 7. What other food is good for our eyes?
- 8. What do you think of grapes?
- 9. What is your favourite fruit and why?
- 10. What happens to our eyes as we age?

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GRAPES 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 'eyesight'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. What do you think of grapes?
- 15. Would you like to read the journal article?
- 16. Can you eat one-and-a-half cups of grapes a day?
- 17. What do you know about the human eye?
- 18. What do you know about blue light?
- 19. Should we limit our screentime?
- 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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3.	(a)	just	(b)	adjust	(c)	justly	(d)	justice
4.	(a)	in	(b)	by	(c)	of	(d)	to
5.	(a)	easy	(b)	eases	(c)	ease	(d)	easily
6.	(a)	such	(b)	so	(c)	very	(d)	really
7.	(a)	in	(b)	at	(c)	by	(d)	to
8.	(a)	pore	(b)	purr	(c)	par	(d)	per
9.	(a)	whether	(b)	any	(c)	like	(d)	moreover
10.	(a)	for	(b)	this	(c)	top-secret	(d)	these
11.	(a)	throws	(b)	passes	(c)	chucks	(d)	hands
12.	(a)	damaging	(b)	damages	(c)	damaged	(d)	damage

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

- 1. A new study <u>ugssegts</u> that
- 2. <u>rpmoive</u> our vision
- 3. the lead <u>asereherer</u>
- 4. grape <u>nmsupcitoon</u>
- 5. an easily <u>csescibale</u> fruit
- 6. have a <u>niefecibal</u> impact

Paragraph 2

- 7. The study is published in the <u>ournjal</u>
- 8. a <u>esires</u> of experiments
- 9. Half of the <u>ritiapapents</u>
- 10. not <u>averlieng</u> this information
- 11. <u>ucsmle</u> strength around the retina
- 12. It <u>rotecpts</u> the eyes

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

()	just a few grapes a day can improve our vision. This is especially so for people who are
()	light. A lot of blue light comes from computer and smartphone screens, and from LED lights.
()	also good for our eyes. Researchers from the National University of Singapore have found that eating
()	testing the grapes or the snack. She thought that not revealing this information would give better test
()	experiments over 16 weeks. Half of the participants ate one-and-a-half cups of grapes per
()	have a beneficial impact" on our eyesight. This is good news for people who don't really like carrots.
()	older. Dr Eun Kim, the lead researcher, said: "Our study is the first to show that grape consumption beneficially
()	retina. The retina passes information about light to the brain via electrical signals. It protects the eyes from damaging blue
()	population." Dr Kim added that, "grapes are an easily accessible fruit that studies have shown can
()	impacts eye health in humans, which is very exciting, especially with a growing, aging
()	day; the other half ate a placebo snack. Dr Kim did not tell the participants or the researchers whether she was
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()	results. She found that people who ate the grapes had improved muscle strength around the
()	The study is published in the journal "Food & Function". Thirty-four adults took part in a series of

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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- 1. Eating for our good carrots is eyesight .
- 2. grapes that suggests good . study are A also
- 3. few just Eating grapes a day . a
- 4. who older . so Especially people for are
- 5. Good don't news who people for like carrots .
- 6. Thirty-four in series participated experiments . adults a of
- 7. would Not revealing give this test results . better
- 8. improved They around the strength had muscle retina .
- 9. protects damaging eyes It from the blue light .
- 10. of A light blue lot comes from computers .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

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Everybody knows that eating carrots is *well / good* for our eyesight. A new study suggests that grapes are also good for our *eyes / eye*. Researchers from the National University of Singapore have found that eating just a *phew / few* grapes a day can improve our *visions / vision*. This is especially so for people who are *older / olden*. Dr Eun Kim, the lead researcher, said: "Our study is the first to show that grape consumption *benefits / beneficially* impacts eye health in humans, which is very *exciting / excitement*, especially with a growing, ageing population." Dr Kim added that, "grapes are an easily *accessible / access* fruit that studies have shown can have a beneficial impact" *in / on* our eyesight. This is good news for people who don't really *like / liked* carrots.

The study is published *in / on* the journal "Food & Function". Thirty-four adults took part *in / on* a series of experiments over 16 weeks. Half of the participants ate one-and-a-half cups of grapes *for / per* day; the other half ate a placebo *snack / snacks*. Dr Kim did not tell the *participates / participants* or the researchers whether she was testing the grapes or the snack. She thought that not *reveal / revealing* this information would give better test results. She found *that / what* people who ate the grapes had improved muscle strength around *a / the* retina. The retina passes information about light to the brain *via / viral* electrical signals. It protects the eyes from damaging blue light. A lot of blue light comes from computer *and / of* smartphone screens, and from LED lights.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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everybody knows that eating carrots is good for our eyesight a new study

suggests that grapes are also good for our eyes researchers from the

national university of singapore have found that eating just a few grapes a

day can improve our vision this is especially so for people who are older dr

eun kim the lead researcher said our study is the first to show that grape

consumption beneficially impacts eye health in humans which is very

exciting especially with a growing ageing population dr kim added that

grapes are an easily accessible fruit that studies have shown can have a

beneficial impact on our eyesight this is good news for people who dont

really like carrots

the study is published in the journal food function thirtyfour adults took part

in a series of experiments over 16 weeks half of the participants ate

oneandahalf cups of grapes per day the other half ate a placebo snack dr

kim did not tell the participants or the researchers whether she was testing

the grapes or the snack she thought that not revealing this information

would give better test results she found that people who ate the grapes had

improved muscle strength around the retina the retina passes information

about light to the brain via electrical signals it protects the eyes from

damaging blue light a lot of blue light comes from computer and smartphone

screens and from led lights

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Everybodyknowsthateatingcarrotsisgoodforoureyesight. Anewstud ysuggeststhatgrapesarealsogoodforoureyes.ResearchersfromtheN ationalUniversityofSingaporehavefoundthateatingjustafewgrapesa daycanimproveourvision. This is especially so for people who are older. DrEunKim, the leadresearcher, said: "Our study is the first to show that gr apeconsumptionbeneficiallyimpactseyehealthinhumans, which is ver yexciting, especially with a growing, ageing population. "Dr Kimaddedt hat, "grapes are an easily accessible fruit that studies have shown can ha veabeneficialimpact"onoureyesight. This is goodnews for people who d on'treallylikecarrots. The study is published in the journal "Food & Functi on".Thirty-fouradultstookpartinaseriesofexperimentsover16week s. Halfoftheparticipants at eone-and-a-halfcups of grapes perday; theo therhalfateaplacebosnack.DrKimdidnottelltheparticipantsortherese archerswhethershewastestingthegrapesorthesnack. Shethoughttha tnotrevealingthisinformationwouldgivebettertestresults. Shefoundt hatpeoplewhoatethegrapeshadimprovedmusclestrengtharoundthe retina. The retina passes information about light to the brain via electrical signals. It protects the eyes from damaging blue light. A lot of blue light co mesfromcomputerandsmartphonescreens, and from LED lights.

FREE WRITING

Write about grapes	for 10 minutes.	Comment on	your partner	s paper.	

ACADEMIC WRITING

We should all eat grapes or carrots every day. 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. GRAPES:** Make a poster about grapes. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?
- **4. SCREEN TIME:** Write a magazine article about all of us halving our screen time to protect our eyes. 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 eyesight. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how we can protect our eyesight. 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. 3. f 4. a 5. b 6. 7. d 8. i 9. 10. 11. l 12. 13. 14. m h

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

10. A lot of blue light comes from computers.

1.	Everyone	1.	Eating carrots is good for our eyesight.
2.	Singapore	2.	A study suggests that grapes are also good.
3.	A few	3.	Eating just a few grapes a day.
4.	Older people	4.	Especially so for people who are older.
5.	A beneficial impact	5.	Good news for people who don't like carrots.
6.	Food & Function	6.	Thirty-four adults participated in a series of experiments.
7.	Sixteen weeks	7.	Not revealing this would give better test results.
8.	A placebo snack	8.	They had improved muscle strength around the retina.
9.	The retina	9.	It protects the eyes from damaging blue light.

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

10. LED lights

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