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Level 3

One in three EU women experienced violence

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THE ARTICLE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

About a third of all women in the European Union have experienced violence at some time in their life. A survey from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights found that around 62 million women over the age of 15 have experienced physical or sexual violence. The agency interviewed over 42,000 women across Europe. The women gave details about violence at home and at work. This included domestic abuse, rape, stalking, sexual harassment and online bullying. The survey found that 22 per cent of women suffered from violence by a husband or boyfriend. It also found that 67 per cent of the women did not report serious domestic violence to the police.

The EU said that laws have to change to protect women. They want to make domestic violence a public offence. At the moment police in many countries cannot stop domestic violence because it happens in the home. The agency's director said the violence against women shows there is, "an extensive human rights abuse" in all EU countries. He added: "These survey figures simply cannot and should not be ignored." He said violence against women was a huge problem that affects everyone, saying: "The enormity of the problem is proof that violence against women does not just impact a few women only. It impacts on society every day." The agency said there was a strong link between alcohol and the violence.

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WARM-UPS

1. VIOLENCE: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about violence. 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.

third / violence / survey / interviewed / abuse / online / bullying / suffered / domestic / protect / public / offence / extensive / figures / problem / enormity / impacts / society

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

3. TRIGGERS: Do these things trigger violence? How can we reduce the chances they do? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often.

	How much does this lead to violence?	How can we change it?
Movies		
Alcohol		
Stress		
Games		
Sport		
Racism		

4. PROTECT: Students A **strongly** believe laws will be good enough to protect all women one day; Students B **strongly** believe that will never happen. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. THINGS WITH VIOLENCE: Rank these with your partner. Put the most violent at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- movies
- wrestling / boxing
- movies
- cartoons
- TV news
- sports matches
- street protests
- video games

6. PROBLEM: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "problem". 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/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

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

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. Two-thirds of women in Europe have experienced violence. | T / F |
| b. 62 million women in the European Union have suffered from violence. | T / F |
| c. The EU interviewed 42,000 women about violence. | T / F |
| d. Most women reported violence to the police. | T / F |
| e. The EU said laws to protect women are tough enough. | T / F |
| f. An EU director said violence against women was a human rights abuse. | T / F |
| g. The director said people would probably ignore the report. | T / F |
| h. The EU said violence and alcohol were linked. | T / F |

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

- | | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1. experienced | a. safeguard |
| 2. survey | b. questioned |
| 3. interviewed | c. big |
| 4. online | d. lived with |
| 5. found | e. evidence |
| 6. protect | f. questionnaire |
| 7. offence | g. connection |
| 8. huge | h. discovered |
| 9. proof | i. cyber |
| 10. link | j. crime |

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

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. About a third | a. the age of 15 |
| 2. at some time | b. affects everyone |
| 3. 62 million women over | c. serious domestic violence |
| 4. The women gave details | d. abuse |
| 5. women did not report | e. of all women |
| 6. laws have to change | f. and the violence |
| 7. human rights | g. about violence at home |
| 8. a huge problem that | h. every day |
| 9. It impacts on society | i. in their life |
| 10. a strong link between alcohol | j. to protect women |

GAP FILL

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About a (1) _____ of all women in the European Union have experienced violence at (2) _____ time in their life. A survey from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights found that around 62 million women over the age of 15 have experienced (3) _____ or sexual violence. The agency (4) _____ over 42,000 women across Europe. The women gave (5) _____ about violence at home and at work. This included domestic abuse, rape, stalking, sexual harassment and online (6) _____. The survey found that 22 per cent of women (7) _____ from violence by a husband or boyfriend. It also found that 67 per cent of the women did not report serious (8) _____ violence to the police.

bullying
interviewed
some
domestic
third
details
suffered
physical

The EU said that laws have to change to (9) _____ women. They want to make domestic violence a (10) _____ offence. At the moment police in many countries cannot stop domestic violence because it happens in the (11) _____. The agency's director said the violence against women shows there is, "an extensive human rights (12) _____" in all EU countries. He added: "These survey figures simply cannot and should not be ignored." He said violence against women was a (13) _____ problem that affects everyone, saying: "The enormity of the problem is (14) _____ that violence against women does not just impact a few women only. It impacts on (15) _____ every day." The agency said there was a strong link between (16) _____ and the violence.

huge
society
public
abuse
alcohol
protect
proof
home

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) About a third of all women in the European Union have experienced violence _____
 - a. at same time
 - b. at sometimes
 - c. at some times
 - d. at some time
- 2) The agency interviewed over 42,000 _____
 - a. women across Europe
 - b. women around Europe
 - c. women accessed Europe
 - d. women a cross Europe
- 3) This included domestic abuse, rape, stalking, sexual harassment _____
 - a. and online bully in
 - b. and online bullying
 - c. and online bullied
 - d. and online bully
- 4) The survey found that 22 per cent of _____
 - a. women suffered it
 - b. women suffer it
 - c. women suffered
 - d. women surfed
- 5) It also found that 67 per cent of the women did not report _____
 - a. serious domesticated violence
 - b. serious domestically violence
 - c. serious domestics violence
 - d. serious domestic violence
- 6) The EU said that laws have to change _____
 - a. to protects women
 - b. to protected women
 - c. to protection women
 - d. to protect women
- 7) They want to make domestic violence _____
 - a. a public offence
 - b. a public a fence
 - c. a public off ends
 - d. a public off once
- 8) violence against women shows there is, "an extensive _____"
 - a. human rights abuses
 - b. human rights abused
 - c. human rights abuse
 - d. human rights a views
- 9) These survey figures simply cannot and should _____
 - a. not been ignored
 - b. not be ignore it
 - c. not been ignored it
 - d. not be ignored
- 10) proof that violence against women does not just _____
 - a. impact a few women
 - b. in fact a few women
 - c. unpacked a few women
 - d. impart a few women

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

(1) _____ women in the European Union have experienced violence at some time in their life. A survey from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights found that around 62 million (2) _____ of 15 have experienced physical or sexual violence. The agency interviewed over 42,000 women across Europe. The women (3) _____ violence at home and at work. This included domestic abuse, rape, stalking, sexual harassment (4) _____. The survey found that 22 per cent of women (5) _____ a husband or boyfriend. It also found that 67 per cent of the women (6) _____ domestic violence to the police.

The EU said that (7) _____ to protect women. They want to make domestic violence (8) _____. At the moment police in many countries cannot stop domestic violence because it happens in the home. The agency's director said the violence against women shows there is, "an extensive (9) _____" in all EU countries. He added: "These survey figures simply cannot and (10) _____." He said violence against women was a huge problem that affects everyone, saying: "(11) _____ problem is proof that violence against women does not just impact a few women only. It impacts on society every day." The agency said there (12) _____ between alcohol and the violence.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

1. When did a third of women experience violence?

2. How many women have experienced violence?

3. How many women did the EU interview?

4. In which places did the women say violence took place?

5. How many women did not report serious domestic violence?

6. What does the EU want new laws to do?

7. What are police unable to in many countries?

8. Who did an EU director say violence against women affects?

9. How often does violence against women impact on society?

10. What strong link did the EU director talk about?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

1. When did a third of women experience violence?
 - a) 2013
 - b) at some time in their life
 - c) in January of this year
 - d) after starting work
2. How many women have experienced violence?
 - a) 66 million
 - b) around 620,000
 - c) just under 60 million
 - d) about 62,000,000
3. How many women did the EU interview?
 - a) 42,000
 - b) 14,200
 - c) 40,200
 - d) 44,200
4. In which places did the women say violence took place?
 - a) in public
 - b) the kitchen and
 - c) at home and work
 - d) in parks
5. How many women did not report serious domestic violence?
 - a) 33%
 - b) 67%
 - c) half
 - d) 42,000
6. What does the EU want new laws to do?
 - a) jail violent men for life
 - b) get women to report violence
 - c) protect women
 - d) give police more power
7. What are police unable to in many countries?
 - a) stop fights
 - b) arrest married men
 - c) stop workplace violence
 - d) stop domestic violence
8. Who did an EU director say violence against women affects?
 - a) everyone
 - b) children
 - c) companies
 - d) mothers
9. How often does violence against women impact on society?
 - a) daily
 - b) every few days
 - c) several times a week
 - d) once a week or so
10. What strong link did the EU director talk about?
 - a) proof and violence
 - b) alcohol and violence
 - c) society and impact
 - d) violence and education

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Movies

You think movies lead to violence the most. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which of these are least responsible for encouraging violence (and why): cartoons, sport or video games.

Role B – Cartoons

You think cartoons lead to violence the most. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which of these are least responsible for encouraging violence (and why): movies, sport or video games.

Role C – Sport

You think sport leads to violence the most. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which of these are least responsible for encouraging violence (and why): cartoons, movies or video games.

Role D – Video games

You think video games lead to violence the most. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which of these are least responsible for encouraging violence (and why): cartoons, sport or movies.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

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

one	three
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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">• time• 62• 42,000• details• 22• 67	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• public• home• extensive• figures• few• link
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VIOLENCE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about violence 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.

VIOLENCE 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 'violence'?
- c) Why are people violent?
- d) Is there ever any reason to be violent?
- e) Why do some people like looking at violence?
- f) What do you think about what you read?
- g) What does violence against woman say about society?
- h) What can countries do to reduce violence against women?
- i) What should schools do to warn people about violent behaviour?
- j) What can society do to get more women to report violence?

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VIOLENCE DISCUSSION

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

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Will laws help reduce violence against women?
- c) Why don't many countries think domestic violence is a crime?
- d) What can society do to protect women?
- e) Should violence against women carry a huge jail sentence?
- f) How does violence against women affect the whole of society?
- g) Should there be more laws for alcohol to reduce violence?
- h) What everyday things we read, look at or listen to might make people violent?
- i) What should the EU do about this crime?
- j) What questions would you like to ask the author of the study?

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. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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The EU said that laws have to change to (7) _____ women. They want to make domestic violence a public offence. At the (8) _____ police in many countries cannot stop domestic violence because it happens in the home. The agency's director said the violence against women shows there is, "an (9) _____ human rights abuse" in all EU countries. He added: "These survey (10) _____ simply cannot and should not be ignored." He said violence against women was a huge problem that affects everyone, saying: "The enormity of the problem is (11) _____ that violence against women does not just impact a few women only. It impacts on society every day." The agency said there was a (12) _____ link between alcohol and the violence.

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) three | (b) third | (c) thirdly | (d) thirds |
| 2. | (a) year | (b) bit | (c) part | (d) time |
| 3. | (a) interviewing | (b) interviewed | (c) interviews | (d) interviewer |
| 4. | (a) got | (b) inside | (c) included | (d) contained |
| 5. | (a) online | (b) computer | (c) website | (d) e-mail |
| 6. | (a) report | (b) contain | (c) write | (d) translate |
| 7. | (a) protective | (b) protection | (c) protecting | (d) protect |
| 8. | (a) moment | (b) now | (c) hour | (d) present |
| 9. | (a) exhaustive | (b) extensive | (c) expansive | (d) expensive |
| 10. | (a) numerals | (b) digits | (c) figures | (d) tables |
| 11. | (a) reality | (b) documents | (c) proof | (d) truth |
| 12. | (a) power | (b) strong | (c) energy | (d) connection |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. a ihtr of all women
2. yhapisc or sexual violence
3. The agency riwetevndie over 42,000 women
4. This ldiucnde domestic abuse
5. online bliyngul
6. ireusos domestic violence

Paragraph 2

7. tecorpt women
8. a public cnofeef
9. These survey gesifur
10. should not be iedrogn
11. It impacts on ioysetc every day
12. a strong link between haolclo and the violence

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () suffered from violence by a husband or boyfriend. It also found that 67 per cent
- () the age of 15 have experienced physical or sexual violence. The agency interviewed over
- () abuse, rape, stalking, sexual harassment and online bullying. The survey found that 22 per cent of women
- () extensive human rights abuse" in all EU countries. He added: "These survey figures simply cannot
- (**1**) About a third of all women in the European Union have experienced violence at some
- () time in their life. A survey from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights found that around 62 million women over
- () The EU said that laws have to change to protect women. They want to make domestic violence
- () women only. It impacts on society every day." The agency said there was a strong link between alcohol and the violence.
- () 42,000 women across Europe. The women gave details about violence at home and at work. This included domestic
- () a public offence. At the moment police in many countries cannot stop domestic violence because it
- () and should not be ignored." He said violence against women was a huge problem that affects
- () everyone, saying: "The enormity of the problem is proof that violence against women does not just impact a few
- () of the women did not report serious domestic violence to the police.
- () happens in the home. The agency's director said the violence against women shows there is, "an

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. time Experienced in violence their at life some.

2. women 15 over the 62 age million of.

3. about The violence women at gave home details.

4. husband a by violence from suffered Women.

5. to violence domestic serious Report police the.

6. protect to change to have Laws women.

7. to violence offence want domestic public They make a.

8. in domestic many violence countries cannot Police stop.

9. all EU countries An extensive human rights abuse in.

10. impacts society day It on every.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1403/140308-violence-against-women.html>

About a *third / thirdly* of all women in the European Union have experienced violence at some *times / time* in their life. A survey from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights *find / found* that around 62 million women over the age of 15 have experienced *physically / physical* or sexual violence. The agency interviewed *more / over* 42,000 women across Europe. The women *gave / given* details about violence at home and at work. This included domestic *abused / abuse*, rape, stalking, sexual harassment and online *bully / bullying*. The survey found that 22 per cent of women *suffered / suffering* from violence by a husband or boyfriend. It also found that 67 per cent of the women did not report serious domestic violence *to / for* the police.

The EU said that laws have to *chance / change* to protect women. They want to make domestic violence a *public / publicly* offence. At the moment police in many countries cannot *stopped / stop* domestic violence because it *happens / happening* in the home. The agency's director said the violence against women shows there is, "an *extensive / expensive* human rights abuse" in all EU countries. He added: "These *surely / survey* figures simply cannot and should not be *ignorant / ignored*." He said violence against women was a huge problem that *affects / effects* everyone, saying: "The enormity of the problem is proof that violence against women does not just *impact / compact* a few women only. It impacts on society every day." The agency said there was a strong link *between / among* alcohol and the violence.

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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_ b _ _ t _ _ th _ rd _ _ f _ ll w _ m _ n _ n th _ _ _ r _ p _ _ n _ n _ n
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_ b _ _ t v _ _ l _ nc _ _ t h _ m _ _ nd _ t w _ rk. Th _ s _ ncl _ d _ d
d _ m _ st _ c _ _ b _ s _ , r _ p _ , st _ lk _ ng, s _ x _ _ l h _ r _ ssm _ nt
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p _ l _ c _ .

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sh _ _ ld _ nt b _ _ gn _ rd." H _ s _ _ d v _ _ l _ nc _ _ g _ _ nst
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_ nd th _ v _ _ l _ nc _ .

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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FREE WRITING

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Write about **violence** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

ACADEMIC WRITING

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People who are violent against women should go to prison for a long time. 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 the EU study about violence against women. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. VIOLENCE: Make a poster about violence. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. HUMAN RIGHTS: Write a magazine article about the violence against women in the EU. Include imaginary interviews with the author of the report and a senior police official.

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 violence. Ask him/her three questions about violence. Give him/her three of your ideas. 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 T g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

- | | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1. experienced | a. lived with |
| 2. survey | b. questionnaire |
| 3. interviewed | c. questioned |
| 4. online | d. cyber |
| 5. found | e. discovered |
| 6. protect | f. safeguard |
| 7. offence | g. crime |
| 8. huge | h. big |
| 9. proof | i. evidence |
| 10. link | j. connection |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. At some time in their life
2. Around 62 million
3. 42,000
4. At home and at work
5. 67%
6. Protect women
7. Stop domestic violence
8. Everyone
9. Every day
10. Alcohol and violence

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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