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## **Level 4**

### **Perfect body to survive traffic accidents created**

**24th July, 2016**

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**Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1607/160724-traffic-accidents-4.html>

A road safety organisation has made a model of the perfect body to survive a car crash. Australia's Transport Accident Commission (TAC) called the model 'Graham'. He looks human, but is a little ugly and could come from a horror movie. The BBC says: "He has a head shaped like a boulder, feet snarled like tree roots and a chest like a wrinkled battering ram." Graham was designed to highlight how easy to damage the human body is in a car crash.

TAC asked artist Patricia Piccinini to create Graham. She worked with a leading trauma surgeon and a road crash expert to get Graham's look. She gave Graham a thick skull, a wide neck, an inflatable chest, and legs that allow Graham to jump quickly. TAC explained why Graham is an educational tool. It said: "Cars have evolved a lot faster than humans and Graham helps us understand why we need to improve...our roads system to protect ourselves."

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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1607/160724-traffic-accidents-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                      |                      |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A road safety                     | a. car crash         |
| 2. a model of                        | b. is a little ugly  |
| 3. survive a                         | c. tree roots        |
| 4. He looks human, but               | d. the human body is |
| 5. come from                         | e. organisation      |
| 6. feet snarled like                 | f. ram               |
| 7. a chest like a wrinkled battering | g. a horror movie    |
| 8. highlight how easy to damage      | h. the perfect body  |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |  |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
| 1. TAC asked artist Patricia Piccinini | a. skull              |
| 2. She worked with a leading trauma    | b. we need to improve |
| 3. a road crash                        | c. tool               |
| 4. She gave Graham a thick             | d. surgeon            |
| 5. an inflatable                       | e. faster than humans |
| 6. an educational                      | f. to create Graham   |
| 7. Cars have evolved a lot             | g. chest              |
| 8. helps us understand why             | h. expert             |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1607/160724-traffic-accidents-4.html>

A road safety organisation has (1) \_\_\_\_\_ the perfect body to (2) \_\_\_\_\_. Australia's Transport Accident Commission (TAC) called the model 'Graham'. He (3) \_\_\_\_\_, but is a little ugly and (4) \_\_\_\_\_ a horror movie. The BBC says: "He has a head shaped like a boulder, feet snarled (5) \_\_\_\_\_ and a chest like a wrinkled battering ram." Graham was designed to highlight how (6) \_\_\_\_\_ the human body is in a car crash.

TAC asked artist Patricia Piccinini to create Graham. She worked with a (7) \_\_\_\_\_ surgeon and a road (8) \_\_\_\_\_ get Graham's look. She gave Graham a thick skull, a wide neck, (9) \_\_\_\_\_, and legs that allow Graham to jump quickly.

TAC explained why Graham is (10) \_\_\_\_\_. It said: "Cars have evolved (11) \_\_\_\_\_ humans and Graham helps us understand why we (12) \_\_\_\_\_ ...our roads system to protect ourselves."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1607/160724-traffic-accidents-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about traffic accidents 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) \_\_\_\_\_

