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Level 0

Older mothers may raise happier children

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Children of older mothers grow up happier. They have fewer behavioural, social and emotional problems. A researcher said older mothers are more flexible and more easy-going. They do not shout at or hit their children so much. He said this means children grow up in a better world.

Older mothers worry less when pregnant. They are happier about having children. This means they are more caring. They also have good relationships, more money and a better education. Children of older mothers have better language skills. Maybe older mothers spend more time with their children and talk to them more.

Sources: <http://www.webmd.com/parenting/news/20170323/older-mothers-may-raise-better-behaved-kids-study-suggests>
<http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/17405629.2016.1266248?journalCode=pedp20>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Children | a. a better world |
| 2. grow | b. and emotional |
| 3. social | c. flexible |
| 4. emotional | d. hit their children |
| 5. older mothers are more | e. of older mothers |
| 6. more easy- | f. problems |
| 7. shout at or | g. up happier |
| 8. grow up in | h. going |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Older mothers worry | a. money |
| 2. They are happier about | b. are more caring |
| 3. This means they | c. skills |
| 4. They also have good | d. education |
| 5. more | e. less |
| 6. a better | f. with their children |
| 7. better language | g. having children |
| 8. spend more time | h. relationships |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Children of older mothers (1) _____ happier.

They have fewer behavioural, (2) _____

emotional problems. A (3) _____ older mothers

are (4) _____ and more easy-going. They do

not (5) _____ their children so much. He said

this means children grow (6) _____ world.

Older mothers (7) _____ pregnant. They are

(8) _____ having children. This means

(9) _____ caring. They also have good

relationships, more money (10) _____

education. Children of older mothers have better

(11) _____. Maybe older mothers spend more

time with their children and talk (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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OLDER MOTHERS SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1703/170331-older-mothers-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about older mothers 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) _____

