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Level 2 – 20th January, 2020

One in five deaths worldwide due to sepsis

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2001/200120-sepsis-2.html>

We know the names of big killers like cancer and heart disease, but few people know sepsis. This is a life-threatening condition and one of the world's biggest killers. It is responsible for one in five deaths worldwide. Sepsis happens when our body releases too many chemicals into the blood to fight an infection. The chemicals overload our organs and damage them. This damage can cause organ failure and death. Doctors have always called this blood poisoning. More than half of the sepsis cases worldwide occur in children. Many of these are newborn babies.

A study into sepsis was published in a medical journal. Researchers said over 50 million people a year develop sepsis. Over 20 per cent of these die. This is more than double the percentage previously thought. Sepsis kills more people than cancer. A senior author of the research, said: "We are alarmed to find sepsis deaths are much higher than previously estimated, especially as the condition is both preventable and treatable." He wants more research to stop sepsis killing newborns. Doctors can treat sepsis with antibiotics if it is found early.

Sources: <https://abcnews.go.com/Health/deaths-caused-disease-heard/story?id=68354737>
<https://www.livescience.com/sepsis-deaths-worldwide.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. the names of big killers | a. babies |
| 2. This is a life- | b. our organs |
| 3. responsible for | c. poisoning |
| 4. The chemicals overload | d. threatening condition |
| 5. This damage can cause organ | e. worldwide |
| 6. blood | f. one in five deaths |
| 7. half of the sepsis cases | g. like cancer |
| 8. Many of these are newborn | h. failure and death |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. published in a medical | a. the percentage |
| 2. 50 million people a year | b. early |
| 3. more than double | c. and treatable |
| 4. Sepsis kills more | d. antibiotics |
| 5. the condition is both preventable | e. develop sepsis |
| 6. research to stop sepsis | f. journal |
| 7. Doctors can treat sepsis with | g. people than cancer |
| 8. if it is found | h. killing newborns |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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We know (1) _____ big killers like cancer and heart disease, but few people know sepsis. This (2) _____ condition and one of the world's biggest killers. It (3) _____ one in five deaths worldwide. Sepsis happens when our body releases too many chemicals into the blood to (4) _____. The chemicals overload our organs and damage them. This damage can cause (5) _____ death. Doctors have always called this blood poisoning. More than half of the sepsis cases worldwide (6) _____. Many of these are newborn babies.

A study into sepsis (7) _____ a medical journal. Researchers said over 50 million people (8) _____ sepsis. Over 20 per cent of these die. This is more than double the percentage previously thought. Sepsis kills more (9) _____. A senior author of the research, said: "We are alarmed to find sepsis deaths (10) _____ than previously estimated, especially as the (12) _____ preventable and treatable." He wants more research to stop sepsis killing newborns. Doctors can treat sepsis with antibiotics if it (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SEPSIS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2001/200120-sepsis-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about sepsis 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) _____

