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**Level 0 – 7th July, 2021**

## **UK Queen honours health service for its courage**

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

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2107/210707-courage-0.html>

The UK Queen gave a special award to Britain's National Health Service. She gave it a George Cross for the heroic efforts made by doctors and nurses during the coronavirus pandemic. The Queen gave the award "with great pleasure, on behalf of a grateful nation". She said nurses supported people "with courage".

Many health workers are happy with the award. However, many others want a pay rise. The government gave them a 1% pay increase last year. A doctor said: "We demand...fair pay." A workers' union leader said the best way to thank health workers was to give them a pay rise.

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2021/jul/05/queen-awards-george-cross-to-nhs-to-mark-70-years-of-public-service>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2107/210707-courage-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                            |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. a special               | a. with courage         |
| 2. She gave it a George    | b. efforts              |
| 3. heroic                  | c. pandemic             |
| 4. made by doctors and     | d. Cross                |
| 5. during the coronavirus  | e. of a grateful nation |
| 6. with great              | f. nurses               |
| 7. on behalf               | g. award                |
| 8. nurses supported people | h. pleasure             |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                             |                      |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. health                   | a. with the award    |
| 2. happy                    | b. pay               |
| 3. many others              | c. rise              |
| 4. The government gave them | d. year              |
| 5. last                     | e. health workers    |
| 6. We demand fair           | f. workers           |
| 7. the best way to thank    | g. want a pay rise   |
| 8. give them a pay          | h. a 1% pay increase |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2107/210707-courage-0.html>

The UK Queen (1) \_\_\_\_\_ award to Britain's National Health Service. She (2) \_\_\_\_\_ George Cross for the (3) \_\_\_\_\_ by doctors and nurses during the coronavirus pandemic. The Queen (4) \_\_\_\_\_ "with great (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of a grateful nation". She said nurses supported (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

Many health (7) \_\_\_\_\_ with the award. However, (8) \_\_\_\_\_ a pay rise. The government (9) \_\_\_\_\_ 1% pay increase last year. (10) \_\_\_\_\_: "We demand...fair pay." A workers' union leader said (11) \_\_\_\_\_ to thank health workers was to give them (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# COURAGE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2107/210707-courage-0.html>

Write five GOOD questions about courage 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) \_\_\_\_\_

