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Level 1 – 7th July, 2021

UK Queen honours health service for its courage

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The UK Queen has given the country's highest award to its National Health Service (NHS) - a George Cross. This is a special medal for heroism. It is for the heroic efforts doctors, nurses and care staff made during the coronavirus pandemic. The Queen gave the award "with great pleasure, on behalf of a grateful nation". She added: "In recent times, you have supported the people of our country with courage, compassion and dedication."

Many NHS workers are happy with the award. However, many others want a pay rise. The NHS has been on the front line in the fight against COVID-19, but the government only gave workers a 1% increase. There were protests over the weekend for better pay. A doctor said: "We demand...fair pay." A workers' union leader said: "The best way to show appreciation for health workers who have gone 'above and beyond' is to give them a decent 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

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. the country's highest | a. of a grateful nation |
| 2. a special medal | b. dedication |
| 3. heroic | c. and care staff |
| 4. doctors, nurses | d. times |
| 5. The Queen gave the award | e. award |
| 6. on behalf | f. efforts |
| 7. In recent | g. for heroism |
| 8. compassion and | h. with great pleasure |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. workers are happy | a. appreciation |
| 2. many others want | b. pay |
| 3. The NHS has been | c. pay rise |
| 4. the fight | d. a pay rise |
| 5. We demand fair | e. and beyond |
| 6. The best way to show | f. against COVID-19 |
| 7. workers who have gone above | g. with the award |
| 8. give them a decent | h. on the front line |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK Queen (1) _____ country's highest award to its National Health Service (NHS) - a George Cross. This is a (2) _____ heroism. It is for the heroic efforts doctors, nurses (3) _____ made during the coronavirus pandemic. The Queen gave the award "(4) _____, on behalf of a grateful nation". She added: "(5) _____, you have supported the people of our (6) _____, compassion and dedication."

Many NHS workers are happy (7) _____. However, many others want (8) _____. The NHS has been on the (9) _____ the fight against COVID-19, but the government only gave workers a 1% increase. There were protests over the weekend (10) _____. A doctor said: "We demand...fair pay." A workers' union leader said: "The best (11) _____ appreciation for health workers who have gone (12) ' _____ ' is to give them a decent pay rise."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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COURAGE SURVEY

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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) _____

WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2107/210707-courage-1.html>

Write about **courage** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.
