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Heavy metal headbanging can damage brain

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THE ARTICLE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

Doctors in Germany have warned people that headbanging could be bad for your health. Headbanging is a dance done by fans of heavy metal music. Dancers shake their heads backwards and forwards, and from side to side, very quickly. Doctors say that it is possible the dance can lead to brain injury. German doctors recently treated a 50-year-old fan of the heavy metal band Motorhead. His headbanging led to brain damage. Doctors said the man had no previous history of head injuries but had been headbanging regularly for many years. The doctors said the risk of damage to the brain from headbanging was still low and said heavy metal fans do not need to stop doing the dance.

The man complained of bad headaches after going to a Motorhead concert. He went to hospital for a brain scan. Doctors found he had bleeding inside his brain. He needed an operation to repair the damage from the headbanging. Doctors drilled a hole in his brain to release some blood. Two months after the operation his headaches disappeared. The head doctor Ariyan Pirayesh said: "We are not against headbanging. The risk of injury is very, very low. I think if our patient had gone to a classical concert, this would not have happened." He had good news for heavy metal fans and said they should carry on enjoying dancing, saying: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans should rock on."

Sources: <http://gulfnnews.com/arts-entertainment/celebrity/hollywood/heavy-metal-can-be-hazardous-to-your-brain-doctors-1.1355980>
<http://www.nhs.uk/news/2014/07July/Pages/Headbanging-could-damage-your-Motorhead.aspx>
<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/279105.php>

WARM-UPS

1. DANCING: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about dancing. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

doctors / bad for health / heavy metal / brain damage / risk / head injuries / dance / complained / headaches / bleeding / operation / headaches / classical concert / rock

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. DANCE: What are the good and bad things of dancing in these places? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

Place	Good things	Bad things
At a concert		
In the street		
At a wedding		
In your room		
In a disco		
At a party		

4. HEALTHY: Students A **strongly** believe dancing is the healthiest exercise; Students B **strongly** believe not. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. DANCES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- headbanging
- jazz
- hip-hop
- waltz
- salsa
- tap
- ballet
- disco

6. HEALTH: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "health". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. German doctors warned people not to dance to heavy metal music. | T / F |
| b. A 50-year-old heavy metal fan had brain damage after headbanging. | T / F |
| c. The man had a long history of head injuries. | T / F |
| d. Doctors said there was a low risk of brain damage from headbanging. | T / F |
| e. The man complained of headaches before going to a concert. | T / F |
| f. Doctors drilled a hole in the man's brain. | T / F |
| g. Doctors said heavy metal fans should switch to classical music. | T / F |
| h. A doctor said rock 'n' roll would never die and fans should "rock on". | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| 1. bad | a. discovered |
| 2. backwards and forwards | b. past |
| 3. lead to | c. welcome |
| 4. previous | d. to and fro |
| 5. risk | e. surgery |
| 6. found | f. harmful |
| 7. repair | g. continue |
| 8. operation | h. possibility |
| 9. good | i. result in |
| 10. carry on | j. fix |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. headbanging could be | a. history of head injuries |
| 2. backwards and forwards, | b. a 50-year-old fan |
| 3. doctors recently treated | c. is very, very low |
| 4. the man had no previous | d. to the brain |
| 5. the risk of damage | e. scan |
| 6. The man complained | f. bad for your health |
| 7. brain | g. to repair the damage |
| 8. an operation | h. should rock on |
| 9. The risk of injury | i. and from side to side |
| 10. Heavy metal fans | j. of bad headaches |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

Doctors in Germany have (1) _____ people that headbanging could be bad for your health. Headbanging is a dance done by fans of heavy metal music. Dancers (2) _____ their heads backwards and forwards, and from side to side, very (3) _____. Doctors say that it is possible the dance can (4) _____ to brain injury. German doctors recently treated a 50-year-old fan of the heavy metal band Motorhead. His headbanging led to brain (5) _____. Doctors said the man had no (6) _____ history of head injuries but had been headbanging (7) _____ for many years. The doctors said the risk of damage to the brain from headbanging was still low and said heavy metal (8) _____ do not need to stop doing the dance.

previous
lead
shake
fans
regularly
warned
quickly
damage

The man (9) _____ of bad headaches after going to a Motorhead concert. He went to hospital for a brain (10) _____. Doctors found he had bleeding inside his brain. He needed an operation to (11) _____ the damage from the headbanging. Doctors drilled a hole in his brain to (12) _____ some blood. Two months after the operation his headaches disappeared. The head doctor Ariyan Pirayesh said: "We are not against headbanging. The (13) _____ of injury is very, very low. I think if our patient had gone to a (14) _____ concert, this would not have happened." He had good news for heavy metal fans and said they should (15) _____ on enjoying dancing, saying: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans should (16) _____ on."

risk
carry
scan
release
complained
rock
repair
classical

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) Dancers shake their heads backwards and forwards, and from side to _____
 - a. side, very quickly
 - b. slide, very quickly
 - c. sides, very quickly
 - d. sided, very quickly
- 2) Doctors say that it is possible the dance can lead _____
 - a. to brains injury
 - b. to brainy injury
 - c. to brain injury
 - d. too brain injury
- 3) German doctors recently treated a 50-_____
 - a. year-old fan
 - b. year-aged fan
 - c. year-old fun
 - d. year-aged fun
- 4) Doctors said the man had no _____
 - a. previously history
 - b. previous histories
 - c. previously hysteria
 - d. previous history
- 5) the risk of damage to the brain from headbanging _____
 - a. was still lows
 - b. was still oh
 - c. was still low
 - d. was still lol
- 6) He went to hospital for _____
 - a. a brain span
 - b. a brain scan
 - c. a brain stand
 - d. a brain scant
- 7) Doctors found he had bleeding _____
 - a. in sider his brain
 - b. insider his brain
 - c. insides his brain
 - d. inside his brain
- 8) Doctors drilled a hole in his brain to _____
 - a. release sum blood
 - b. releases some blood
 - c. release some bloody
 - d. release some blood
- 9) I think if our patient had gone to a classical concert, this would _____
 - a. not of happened
 - b. not have happened
 - c. not have happened
 - d. not has happened
- 10) Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans _____
 - a. should rock on
 - b. should rock in
 - c. should rocking
 - d. should rock con

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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Doctors in Germany have (1) _____ headbanging could be bad for your health. Headbanging is a dance (2) _____ heavy metal music. Dancers shake their heads backwards and forwards, and from side to (3) _____. Doctors say that it is possible the dance can lead to brain injury. German doctors (4) _____ 50-year-old fan of the heavy metal band Motorhead. His headbanging led to brain damage. Doctors said the man had no previous history of head injuries but had been headbanging (5) _____ years. The doctors said the risk of damage to the brain from headbanging was still low and said heavy metal fans do not need to (6) _____.

The (7) _____ bad headaches after going to a Motorhead concert. He went to hospital for a brain scan. Doctors found he had bleeding inside his brain. He needed an (8) _____ the damage from the headbanging. Doctors (9) _____ his brain to release some blood. Two months after the operation his headaches disappeared. The head doctor Ariyan Pirayesh said: "We (10) _____ headbanging. The risk of injury is very, very low. I think if our patient had (11) _____ concert, this would not have happened." He had good news for heavy metal fans and said they should carry on enjoying dancing, saying: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans (12) _____."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

1. Where does this story take place?

2. How old was the man who needed surgery?

3. What did the man's doctors say about his medical history?

4. For how long had the man been headbanging?

5. What did doctors say about the riskiness of headbanging?

6. When did the man get headaches?

7. What did the man find inside the man's brain?

8. What did the operation release?

9. What kind of concert did a doctor say might have been safer?

10. What did a doctor say heavy metal fans should do?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

1. Where does this story take place?
 - a) Japan
 - b) Germany
 - c) Great Britain
 - d) USA
2. How old was the man who needed surgery?
 - a) 30
 - b) 40
 - c) 50
 - d) 60
3. What did the man's doctors say about his medical history?
 - a) it was very long
 - b) he was always ill
 - c) no history of head injuries
 - d) he'd banged his head many times
4. For how long had the man been headbanging?
 - a) many years
 - b) about 12 months
 - c) 2 hours and 40 minutes
 - d) since he was 15
5. What did doctors say about the riskiness of headbanging?
 - a) they didn't say anything
 - b) it was very low
 - c) over 50s shouldn't do it
 - d) very risky
6. When did the man get headaches?
 - a) after a concert
 - b) every morning
 - c) after too much alcohol
 - d) when he listened to loud music
7. What did the man find inside the man's brain?
 - a) CO2
 - b) too much water
 - c) bleeding
 - d) air
8. What did the operation release?
 - a) blood
 - b) air
 - c) pressure
 - d) water
9. What kind of concert did a doctor say might have been safer?
 - a) a quiet one
 - b) a jazz concert
 - c) Lady Gaga
 - d) a classical concert
10. What did a doctor say heavy metal fans should do?
 - a) chill out
 - b) sit down
 - c) rock on
 - d) switch off

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Headbanging

You think headbanging is the best dance. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so good about their dance style. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): hip-hop, ballet or salsa.

Role B – Hip-hop

You think hip-hop is the best dance. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so good about their dance style. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): headbanging, ballet or salsa.

Role C – Ballet

You think ballet is the best dance. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so good about their dance style. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): hip-hop, headbanging or salsa.

Role D – Salsa

You think salsa is the best dance. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so good about their dance style. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): hip-hop, ballet or headbanging.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'brain' and 'damage'.

brain	damage
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• warned• done• quickly• 50• previous• stop	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• scan• repair• hole• patient• good• rock
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DANCING SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about dancing 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.

DANCING DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'dancing'?
- c) What kind of music do you like dancing to?
- d) Why do people like dancing?
- e) Is it better to dance to live bands or recorded music?
- f) Can you think of reasons why dancing might be bad for you?
- g) What do you think of headbanging?
- h) Is it OK to dance on your own in your room?
- i) Are you a good dancer? Why do you think so?
- j) Do you think dancing can damage your brain?

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DANCING DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Do you like dancing at concerts?
- c) Have you ever hurt yourself dancing?
- d) Do you think the man should carry on headbanging?
- e) Should the man now go to classical concerts?
- f) What do you think of the doctor's advice?
- g) Would you stop dancing if doctors said it was bad for you?
- h) What new dance would you like to learn?
- i) Will rock 'n' roll ever die?
- j) What questions would you like to ask the heavy metal fan?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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The man complained of bad headaches after going to a Motorhead concert. He went to hospital for a brain (7) _____. Doctors found he had bleeding inside his brain. He needed an operation to (8) _____ the damage from the headbanging. Doctors drilled a hole in his brain to release some blood. Two months after the operation his headaches disappeared. The head doctor Ariyan Pirayesh said: "We are not (9) _____ headbanging. The risk of injury is very, very low. I think if our patient had gone to a (10) _____ concert, this would not have happened." He had good news for heavy metal fans and said they should carry (11) _____ enjoying dancing, saying: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans should rock (12) _____."

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) persons | (b) people | (c) humans | (d) folks |
| 2. | (a) did | (b) done | (c) doing | (d) does |
| 3. | (a) quickens | (b) quicken | (c) quick | (d) quickly |
| 4. | (a) threatened | (b) threated | (c) tweeted | (d) thwarted |
| 5. | (a) hours | (b) usually | (c) time to time | (d) regularly |
| 6. | (a) remain | (b) all | (c) still | (d) forever |
| 7. | (a) scan | (b) graph | (c) stir | (d) medicine |
| 8. | (a) release | (b) reload | (c) repair | (d) reopen |
| 9. | (a) hate | (b) negative | (c) open | (d) against |
| 10. | (a) classical | (b) classics | (c) classy | (d) classically |
| 11. | (a) on | (b) over | (c) off | (d) out |
| 12. | (a) on | (b) out | (c) off | (d) over |

SPELLING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

Paragraph 1

1. Doctors in Germany have redanw people
2. headbanging could be bad for your lhtahe
3. Dancers eahsk their heads
4. the dance can lead to brain irnyju
5. the man had no uiovepr history
6. headbanging yrluraeg for many years

Paragraph 2

7. The man complained of bad esaahehcd
8. Doctors found he had gdeienlb inside his brain
9. erapir the damage
10. Two months after the aoorpetin
11. a iascsalcl concert
12. this would not have ahdnepp

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) Doctors in Germany have warned people that headbanging could be bad for your
- () concert, this would not have happened." He had good news for heavy metal fans and said they should
- () of damage to the brain from headbanging was still low and said heavy metal fans do not need to stop doing the dance.
- () band Motorhead. His headbanging led to brain damage. Doctors said the man had no previous
- () history of head injuries but had been headbanging regularly for many years. The doctors said the risk
- () scan. Doctors found he had bleeding inside his brain. He needed an operation to repair the damage
- () of injury is very, very low. I think if our patient had gone to a classical
- () the dance can lead to brain injury. German doctors recently treated a 50-year-old fan of the heavy metal
- () from the headbanging. Doctors drilled a hole in his brain to release some blood. Two months after the operation
- () his headaches disappeared. The head doctor Ariyan Pirayesh said: "We are not against headbanging. The risk
- () backwards and forwards, and from side to side, very quickly. Doctors say that it is possible
- () carry on enjoying dancing, saying: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans should rock on."
- () health. Headbanging is a dance done by fans of heavy metal music. Dancers shake their heads
- () The man complained of bad headaches after going to a Motorhead concert. He went to hospital for a brain

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. shake Dancers forwards and backwards heads their.

2. the dance can lead to brain injury It is possible.

3. German fan old year- 50- a treated recently doctors.

4. history injuries man previous head The no of had.

5. fans metal Heavy dance the doing stop to need not do.

6. to scan hospital for He a went brain.

7. bleeding Doctors inside found his he brain had.

8. to brain his in hole a drilled Doctors blood some release.

9. the operation Two his months headaches after disappeared.

10. heavy had metal good fans news for He.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

Doctors in Germany have warned *people / humans* that headbanging could be bad for your health. Headbanging is a dance *done / played* by fans of heavy metal music. Dancers shake their *hands / heads* backwards and forwards, and from side to *back / side*, very quickly. Doctors say that it is possible the dance can *result / lead* to brain injury. German doctors recently treated a 50-year-old fan of the heavy *steel / metal* band Motorhead. His headbanging *led / bled* to brain damage. Doctors said the man had no previous history *of / for* head injuries but had been headbanging regularly for many years. The doctors said the risk of *damaging / damage* to the brain from headbanging was still low and said heavy metal fans do not need to stop *doing / done* the dance.

The man complained of *badly / bad* headaches after going to a Motorhead concert. He went to hospital for a *brainy / brain* scan. Doctors found he had bleeding *inside / inner* his brain. He needed an operation to repair the damage from the headbanging. Doctors drilled a *cavity / hole* in his brain to release some blood. Two months after the operation his headaches *disappeared / disappearance*. The head doctor Ariyan Pirayesh said: "We are not *against / for* headbanging. The risk of injury is very, very low. I think if our patient had gone to a *classical / classic* concert, this would not have happened." He had *good / well* news for heavy metal fans and said they should carry *out / on* enjoying dancing, saying: "Rock 'n' roll will never die. Heavy metal fans should rock *on / off*."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1407/140708-headbanging.html>

D_ ct_ rs _ n G_ rm_ ny h_ v_ w_ rn_ d p_ _ pl_ th_ t
h_ _ db_ ng_ ng c_ _ ld b_ _ b_ d f_ r y_ _ r h_ _ lth.
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f_ rw_ rds, _ nd fr_ m s_ d_ t_ s_ d_ , v_ ry q_ _ ckly. D_ ct_ rs
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h_ _ vy m_ t_ l f_ ns _ nd s_ _ d th_ y sh_ _ ld c_ rry _ n
_ nj_ y_ ng d_ nc_ ng, s_ y_ ng: " R_ ck 'n' r_ ll w_ ll n_ v_ r
d_ _ . H_ _ vy m_ t_ l f_ ns sh_ _ ld r_ ck _ n."

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FREE WRITING

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Write about **dancing** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner’s paper.

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about dancing. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. DANCING: Make a poster about dancing. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. HEADBANGING: Write a magazine article about the risks of headbanging. Include imaginary interviews with doctors and headbangers.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on heavy metal. Ask him/her three questions about headbanging. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to dance safely. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F b T c F d T e F f T g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| 1. bad | a. harmful |
| 2. backwards and forwards | b. to and fro |
| 3. lead to | c. result in |
| 4. previous | d. past |
| 5. risk | e. possibility |
| 6. found | f. discovered |
| 7. repair | g. fix |
| 8. operation | h. surgery |
| 9. good | i. welcome |
| 10. carry on | j. continue |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Germany
2. 50
3. No previous head injuries
4. Many years
5. It was (very) low
6. After a concert
7. Bleeding
8. Blood
9. Classical concert
10. Continue dancing / rock on

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. b 2. d 3. c 4. a 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. d 10. c

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)