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Centuries-old diseases coming back

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1512/151228-diseases-1.html>

Many diseases that had almost disappeared are coming back. There is a big rise in the number of people with diseases such as tuberculosis (TB), cholera and measles. TB is now more common in England than in some less developed countries. It is also increasing across the globe. It mainly affects very poor people. TB is an infectious disease that damages the lungs. People suffer from bad coughs, fever and weight loss.

Researchers say that many of these diseases can be stopped. TB affects old people who do not have enough to eat. A UK doctor said she did not understand why society didn't do more to fight TB. She said: "Malnutrition is preventable. It is totally unacceptable that...there are at least one million older people malnourished or at risk of malnourishment." She said there should be a bigger focus on better nutrition and proper medicine.

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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Many diseases that had | a. very poor people |
| 2. There is a big | b. with diseases |
| 3. the number of people | c. countries |
| 4. TB is now more common | d. rise |
| 5. less developed | e. the globe |
| 6. increasing across | f. almost disappeared |
| 7. It mainly affects | g. loss |
| 8. weight | h. in England |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. many of these diseases | a. on better nutrition |
| 2. TB affects | b. medicine |
| 3. she did not understand | c. million older people |
| 4. It is totally | d. old people |
| 5. there are at least one | e. malnourishment |
| 6. at risk of | f. why |
| 7. there should be a bigger focus | g. can be stopped |
| 8. proper | h. unacceptable |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Many diseases (1) _____ disappeared are coming back. There is (2) _____ the number of people with (3) _____ tuberculosis (TB), cholera and measles. TB is now more common in England than in some less developed countries. It is also increasing (4) _____. It mainly affects very poor people. TB is an infectious (5) _____ the lungs. People suffer from bad coughs, fever (6) _____.

Researchers say (7) _____ these diseases can be stopped. TB (8) _____ who do not have enough to eat. A UK doctor said she did not understand why society didn't (9) _____ TB. She said: "Malnutrition is preventable. It is (10) _____ that...there are at least one million older people malnourished (11) _____ malnourishment." She said there should be a bigger focus on better nutrition and (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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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)

g)

h)
