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### Level 6

# Nigeria president says wife belongs in the kitchen 16th October, 2016

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### THE ARTICLE

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Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari is in hot water over sexist remarks he made about his wife Aisha. He was replying to reports that his wife may not support his bid to be re-elected to power. He stated during a news conference in Berlin that: "I don't know which party my wife belongs to but she belongs to my kitchen and my living room and the other room." President Buhari was standing next to German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the time. Ms Merkel did not express an opinion on Mr Buhari's words but did give him a shocked, stern look. Mr Buhari went on to add fuel to the fire, telling reporters that he can "claim superior knowledge" over his wife after running for president three times.

Nigeria's first lady Aisha Buhari warned her husband that she would not campaign alongside him in future elections unless he reformed his leadership. Mrs Buhari said her husband's government had been hijacked. The first lady has a Master's degree in International Affairs and Strategic Studies. She is a successful entrepreneur. In 1995, she opened northern Nigeria's first beauty parlour. She also published a book called, 'The Essentials of Beauty Therapy: A Complete Guide for Beauty Specialists'. In addition to her business-related activities, she is a human rights activist and has campaigned for the release of the 250 girls kidnapped by the militant group Boko Haram in 2014.

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### **WARM-UPS**

- **1. FIRST LADIES:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about first ladies. 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?

hot water / sexist comments / reports / power / kitchen / living room / opinion / fire / husband / campaign / leadership / hijacked / successful / entrepreneur / human rights

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

- **3. RESIGN:** Students A **strongly** believe leaders who make sexist comments should resign; Students B **strongly** believe they shouldn't need to resign. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.
- **4. SEXISM:** What can these people do to reduce sexism? How successful would they be? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

|                  | Things they can do? | How successful would they be? |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| National leader  |                     |                               |
| Religious leader |                     |                               |
| Company CEO      |                     |                               |
| Father           |                     |                               |
| Mother           |                     |                               |
| You              |                     |                               |

- **5. WIFE:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "wife". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.
- **6. SEXIST:** Rank these with your partner. Put the worst people to be sexist at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.
  - world leader
  - company CEO
  - religious leader
  - father

- teacher
- rock star
- mother
- police officer

### **BEFORE READING / LISTENING**

From <a href="http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html">http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html</a>

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

- a. Nigeria's president fell into a bath of hot water. T / F
- b. The president's wife may not support him in a future election. **T/F**
- c. The president said his wife belongs in his kitchen and living room. T / F
- d. The president has run for office three times. **T / F**
- e. The first lady said she hijacked her husband's government. T/F
- f. The first lady finished her education up to bachelor's level. **T/F**
- g. The first lady opened a successful beauty parlour in southern Nigeria in 1995. T / F
- h. The first lady campaigned for the release of 250 kidnapped girls. **T / F**

#### 2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- 1. remarks
- 2. replying
- 3. bid
- 4. stern
- 5. superior
- 6. alongside
- 7. reformed
- 8. entrepreneur
- 9. campaigned
- 10. kidnapped

- a. more advanced
- b. next to
- c. altered
- d. responding
- e. businesswoman
- f. attempt
- g. fought
- h. comments
- i. abducted
- j. unsmiling

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

- 1. Buhari is in hot water over sexist
- 2. his wife may not support his bid
- 3. I don't know which party my wife
- 4. give him a shocked,
- 5. Buhari went on to add fuel
- 6. she would not campaign alongside
- 7. unless he reformed
- 8. In addition to her business-
- 9. she is a human rights
- 10. the release of the 250 girls kidnapped

- a. his leadership
- b. belongs to
- c. related activities
- d. to the fire
- e. remarks
- f. activist
- g. by the militant group
- h. to be re-elected
- i. stern look
- i. him in future elections

# **GAP FILL**

| Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari is in (1)                     | news         |
|--|--------------|
| water over sexist remarks he made about his wife Aisha. He was     | stern        |
| replying to reports that his wife may not support his              | other        |
| (2) to be re-elected to power. He stated during a                  |              |
| (3) conference in Berlin that: "I don't know which                 | running      |
| party my wife belongs to but she belongs to my kitchen and my      | hot          |
| living room and the (4) room." President Buhari                    | superior     |
| was standing next to German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the        | bid          |
| time. Ms Merkel did not (5) an opinion on Mr                       | express      |
| Buhari's words but did give him a shocked, (6)                     | схргсээ      |
| look. Mr Buhari went on to add fuel to the fire, telling reporters |              |
| that he can "claim (7) knowledge" over his wife                    |              |
| after (8) for president three times.                               |              |
|  |              |
| Nigeria's first lady Aisha Buhari warned her husband that she      | degree       |
| would not campaign (9) him in future elections                     | militant     |
| unless he reformed his leadership. Mrs Buhari said her husband's   | addition     |
| government had been (10) The first lady has a                      |              |
| Master's (11) in International Affairs and Strategic               | alongside    |
| Studies. She is a successful (12) In 1995, she                     | entrepreneui |
| opened northern Nigeria's first beauty parlour. She also (13)      | activist     |
| a book called, 'The Essentials of Beauty Therapy:                  | hijacked     |
| A Complete Guide for Beauty Specialists'. In (14)                  | published    |
| to her business-related activities, she is a human                 | publisheu    |
| rights (15) and has campaigned for the release of                  |              |
| the 250 girls kidnapped by the (16) group Boko                     |              |
| Haram in 2014.   |              |

# **LISTENING** — Guess the answers. Listen to check.

| 1) | <ul> <li>Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhar</li> <li>a. sexism remarks</li> <li>b. sexist remark</li> <li>c. sexist remarks</li> <li>d. sexist re-marks</li> </ul>                                    | i is in hot water over           |
|----|--|----------------------------------|
| 2) | <ul> <li>He was replying to reports that his wif         <ul> <li>supports his bid</li> <li>supported his bid</li> <li>supporting his bid</li> <li>support his bid</li> </ul> </li> </ul>              | e may not                        |
| 3) | <ul> <li>she belongs to my kitchen and my living</li> <li>a. the another room</li> <li>b. another room</li> <li>c. the others room</li> <li>d. the other room</li> </ul>                               | ng room and                      |
| 4) | <ul> <li>but did give him a shocked,</li> <li>a. stern look</li> <li>b. stern looks</li> <li>c. storm look</li> <li>d. strain look</li> </ul>  |                                  |
| 5) | <ul> <li>) went on to add fuel to the fire, telling</li> <li>a. superior knowledge</li> <li>b. superiority knowledge</li> <li>c. superiors knowledgeable</li> <li>d. superior knowledgeable</li> </ul> | reporters that he can "claim"    |
| 6) | <ul> <li>Aisha Buhari warned her husband that</li> <li>a. along aside him</li> <li>b. along sides him</li> <li>c. a long side him</li> <li>d. alongside him</li> </ul>                                 | she would not campaign           |
| 7) | <ul> <li>Mrs Buhari said her husband's governr</li> <li>a. has been hijacked</li> <li>b. have been hijacked</li> <li>c. had been hijacked</li> <li>d. having been hijacked</li> </ul>                  | nent                             |
| 8) | <ul> <li>) In 1995, she opened northern Nigeria'</li> <li>a. beautiful parlour</li> <li>b. beauty parlour</li> <li>c. beauties parlour</li> <li>d. beautify parlour</li> </ul>                         | s first                          |
| 9) | <ul> <li>a book called, 'The Essentials of Beaut</li> <li>a. Beauty Specialist</li> <li>b. Beauty Specialism</li> <li>c. Beauty Specialise</li> <li>d. Beauty Specialists</li> </ul>                   | y Therapy: A Complete Guide for' |
| 10 | 0) she is a human rights activist and ha   | s campaigned for the 250 girls   |
|    | a. realise of the  |                                  |
|    | <ul><li>b. relapse of the</li><li>c. release of the</li></ul>  |                                  |
|    | d. realism of the  |                                  |

# **LISTENING** – Listen and fill in the gaps

| Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari (1) over                                |
|--|
| sexist remarks he made about his wife Aisha. He was replying to reports that |
| his wife may not support (2) re-elected to power.                            |
| He stated during a news conference in Berlin that: "I don't know which party |
| my wife belongs to but (3) my kitchen and my living                          |
| room and the other room." President Buhari was standing next to German       |
| Chancellor Angela Merkel (4) Ms Merkel did not                               |
| express an opinion on Mr Buhari's words but did give him a shocked, stern    |
| look. Mr Buhari went on to add (5), telling reporters                        |
| that he can "claim superior knowledge" over his wife                         |
| (6) president three times.   |
| Nigeria's first lady Aisha Buhari warned her husband that she would not      |
| campaign (7) future elections unless he reformed                             |
| his leadership. Mrs Buhari said her husband's government                     |
| (8) The first lady has a Master's degree in                                  |
| International Affairs and Strategic Studies. She is a                        |
| (9) In 1995, she opened northern Nigeria's first                             |
| beauty parlour. She also published a book called, 'The                       |
| (10) Therapy: A Complete Guide for Beauty                                    |
| Specialists'. In addition to her business-related activities, she is a human |
| (11) and has campaigned for the release of the 250                           |
| girls kidnapped by the (12) Boko Haram in 2014.                              |

# **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS**

| 1.  | What kind of water is President Buhari in?                        |
|-----|---|
| 2.  | Who might not support President Buhari's bid for power?           |
| 3.  | Where was the news conference?                                    |
| 4.  | What kind of look did Chancellor Merkel give to President Buhari? |
| 5.  | How many times has President Buhari run for office?               |
| 6.  | What did Aisha Buhari say her husband had to reform?              |
| 7.  | What is Aisha Buhari's highest qualification?                     |
| 8.  | When did Aisha Buhari open a beauty clinic?                       |
| 9.  | What was the subject of a book Aisha Buhari wrote?                |
| 10. | How many girls did Aisha Buhari campaign for the release of?      |

# **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ**

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- 1) What kind of water is President Buhari in?
- a) lukewarm
- b) distilled
- c) tepid
- d) hot
- 2) Who might not support President Buhari's bid for power?
- a) company CEOs
- b) Aisha Buhari
- c) his children
- d) his colleagues
- 3) Where was the news conference?
- a) Cairo
- b) London
- c) Lagos
- d) Berlin
- 4) What kind of look did Chancellor Merkel give to President Buhari?
- a) a horrified, appalled one
- b) a bemused, surprised one
- c) a shocked, stern one
- d) s bored, disinterested one
- 5) How many times has President Buhari run for office?
- a) 6
- b) 5
- c) 4
- d) 3

- 6) What did Aisha Buhari say her husband had to reform?
- a) the other room
- b) his mind
- c) his leadership
- d) his kitchen
- 7) What is Aisha Buhari's highest qualification?
- a) Master's degree
- b) PhD
- c) Bachelor's degree
- d) high-school certificate
- 8) When did Aisha Buhari open a beauty clinic?
- a) 1997
- b) 1996
- c) 1995
- d) 1998
- 9) What was the subject of a book Aisha Buhari wrote?
- a) husbands
- b) beauty therapy
- c) sexism
- d) kitchens
- 10) How many girls did Aisha Buhari campaign for the release of?
- a) 250
- b) 260
- c) 270
- d) 280

### **ROLE PLAY**

From <a href="http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html">http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html</a>

#### Role A - World leader

You think it is worst for a world leader to be sexist. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell the others why it is also bad for them to be sexist and how to overcome sexism. Tell them who among these has the biggest responsibility: religious leader, teacher or company CEO.

### Role B - Religious leader

You think it is worst for a religious leader to be sexist. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell the others why it is also bad for them to be sexist and how to overcome sexism. Tell them who among these has the biggest responsibility: world leader, teacher or company CEO.

#### Role C - Teacher

You think it is worst for a teacher to be sexist. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell the others why it is also bad for them to be sexist and how to overcome sexism. Tell them who among these has the biggest responsibility: religious leader, world leader or company CEO.

### Role D – Company CEO

You think it is worst for a company CEO to be sexist. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell the others why it is also bad for them to be sexist and how to overcome sexism. Tell them who among these has the biggest responsibility: religious leader, teacher or world leader.

### AFTER READING / LISTENING

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

| first | lady |
|-------|------|
|       |      |
|       |      |
|       |      |

- 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:

| • hot   | • warned                     |
|---------|------------------------------|
| • bid   | <ul> <li>hijacked</li> </ul> |
| • other | • degree                     |
| • time  | • first                      |
| • fire  | <ul> <li>addition</li> </ul> |
| • three | • 250                        |

### **FIRST LADIES SURVEY**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html

Write five GOOD questions about first ladies 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.

### FIRST LADIES DISCUSSION

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

- 1. What did you think when you read the headline?
- 2. What springs to mind when you hear the term 'first lady'?
- 3. What do you think about what you read?
- 4. How sexist do you think the president's words were?
- 5. What arguments are there for the president to resign?
- 6. Some people said his comment was just humour. Was it?
- 7. What does the president's comment mean?
- 8. What do you think Angela Merkel was thinking?
- 9. What do you think Mr Buhari's wife thinks of the comment?
- 10. What advice do you have for Mrs Buhari?

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### FIRST LADIES DISCUSSION

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

- 11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- 12. What responsibility do world leaders have regarding sexism?
- 13. How damaging might Mrs Buhari's comment be for her husband?
- 14. What more can Mrs Buhari do to highlight sexism?
- 15. What other sexist leaders do you know of?
- 16. What do you think the Buharis said to each other regarding this?
- 17. How much sexism is there in your country?
- 18. What is the most important thing to do to combat sexism?
- 19. What can Mr Buhari do to make amends?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask Mrs Buhari?

# **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

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# **LANGUAGE - CLOZE**

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| 1.  | (a)   | tepid   | (b)  | lukewarm  | (c)  | hot  | (d)   | distilled  |
| 2.  | (a)   | to  | (b)  | on  | (c)  | of   | (d)   | at   |
| 3.  | (a)   | to  | (b)  | on  | (c)  | of   | (d)   | at   |
| 4.  | (a)   | other   | (b)  | others  | (c)  | another  | (d)   | otherworldly   |
| 5.  | (a)   | till  | (b)  | checkout  | (c)  | service  | (d)   | express  |
| 6.  | (a)   | oxygen  | (b)  | charcoal  | (c)  | water  | (d)   | fuel   |
| 7.  | (a)   | alongside   | (b)  | along   | (c)  | sideways   | (d)   | side   |
| 8.  | (a)   | less  | (b)  | relentless  | (c)  | useless  | (d)   | unless   |
| 9.  | (a)   | entrepreneur  | (b)  | commercial  | (c)  | magnet   | (d)   | speculate  |
| 10.   | (a)   | Guidance  | (b)  | Guide   | (c)  | Guides   | (d)   | Guiding  |
| 11.   | (a)   | relative  | (b)  | related   | (c)  | relation   | (d)   | relationship   |
| 12.   | (a)   | release   | (b)  | free  | (c)  | captive  | (d)   | let go   |

### **SPELLING**

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### Paragraph 1

- 1. sexist arkrmes
- 2. during a news ecnefencro
- 3. <u>sxsrpee</u> an opinion
- 4. a shocked, trsne look
- 5. add uefl to the fire
- 6. <u>oeriupsr</u> knowledge

### Paragraph 2

- 7. <u>maapcnig</u> alongside him
- 8. in future tilsneceo
- 9. her husband's government had been ecdakijh
- 10. a successful rupeneeerrtn
- 11. she is a human rights taiscvit
- 12. kidnapped by the <u>nimttial</u> group

# **PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER**

From <a href="http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html">http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1610/161016-first-lady.html</a>

#### Number these lines in the correct order.

| ( | )   | room and the other room." President Buhari was standing next to<br>German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the              |
|---|-----|--|
| ( | 1 ) | Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari is in hot water over sexist remarks he made about his wife Aisha. He was replying |
| ( | )   | knowledge" over his wife after running for president three times.  |
| ( | )   | lady has a Master's degree in International Affairs and Strategic<br>Studies. She is a successful                      |
| ( | )   | entrepreneur. In 1995, she opened northern Nigeria's first beauty parlour. She also published a book                   |
| ( | )   | called, 'The Essentials of Beauty Therapy: A Complete Guide for Beauty Specialists'. In addition to her business-      |
| ( | )   | time. Ms Merkel did not express an opinion on Mr Buhari's words but did give him a shocked,                            |
| ( | )   | stern look. Mr Buhari went on to add fuel to the fire, telling reporters that he can "claim superior                   |
| ( | )   | to reports that his wife may not support his bid to be re-elected to power. He stated during a news                    |
| ( | )   | Nigeria's first lady Aisha Buhari warned her husband that she would not campaign alongside him in future               |
| ( | )   | of the 250 girls kidnapped by the militant group Boko Haram in 2014.   |
| ( | )   | elections unless he reformed his leadership. Mrs Buhari said her husband's government had been hijacked. The first     |
| ( | )   | conference in Berlin that: "I don't know which party my wife belongs to but she belongs to my kitchen and my living    |
| ( | )   | related activities, she is a human rights activist and has campaigned for the release                                  |

### **PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER**

| 1.  | in over he is water remarks Buhari hot sexist made .            |
|-----|---|
| 2.  | elected bid wife his his re- support that be not Reports to may |
| 3.  | which to party I my don't wife know belongs .                   |
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| 10. | the militant group The release of the 250 girls kidnapped by .  |

# **CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)**

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Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari is in *hot / tepid* water over sexist remarks he made about his wife Aisha. He was replying to *report / reports* that his wife may not support his *bid / bide* to be re-elected to power. He stated during a news conference in Berlin that: "I don't know which party my wife *belongs / belonging* to but she belongs to my kitchen and my living room and the other room." President Buhari was *stood / standing* next to German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the *time / timely*. Ms Merkel did not express *the / an* opinion on Mr Buhari's words but did *give / gave* him a shocked, stern look. Mr Buhari went on to add fuel to the *ashes / fire*, telling reporters that he can "claim superior knowledge" over his wife after running *by / for* president three times.

Nigeria's first lady Aisha Buhari warned her husband that she would not campaign along / alongside him in future election / elections unless he reformed his leadership / leader. Mrs Buhari said her husband's government had been hijacked. The first lady has a Master's degree on / in International Affairs and Strategic Studies. She is a successful / successfully entrepreneur. In 1995, she opened northerly / northern Nigeria's first beautiful / beauty parlour. She also published / publication a book called, 'The Essentials of Beauty Therapy: A Complete Guide for Beauty Specialists'. In addition to her business-related activities, she is a human rights activism / activist and has campaigned for the release of the 250 girls kidnapped by the militant group / grouping Boko Haram in 2014.

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)**

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### PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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### **FREE WRITING**

| Write about <b>first ladies</b> for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper. |  |  |  |
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# **ACADEMIC WRITING**

| Leaders who make sexist remarks must resign immediately. Discuss. |  |  |  |  |
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### **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 Aisha Buhari. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.
- **3. FIRST LADIES:** Make a poster about first ladies. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?
- **4. SEXIST:** Write a magazine article about world leaders having to resign after making sexist remarks. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

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 sexism. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to overcome it. 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 T d T e F f F g F h T

### **SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)**

- 1. remarks
- 2. replying
- 3. bid
- 4. stern
- 5. superior
- 6. alongside
- 7. reformed
- 8. entrepreneur
- 9. campaigned
- 10. kidnapped

- a. comments
- b. responding
- c. attempt
- d. unsmiling
- e. more advanced
- f. next to
- g. altered
- h. businesswoman
- i. fought
- j. abducted

### **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)**

- 1. Hot water
- 2. Aisha Buhari
- 3. Berlin
- 4. A shocked, stern look
- 5. Three
- 6. His leadership
- 7. A Master's degree
- 8. 1995
- 9. Beauty Therapy
- 10. 250

### **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)**

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

#### **ALL OTHER EXERCISES**

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