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U.K. politician blocks passing of upskirting law

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

A politician in the United Kingdom has blocked a new law on upskirting from being passed. Upskirting is when someone secretly takes a photo under someone else's skirt. Many politicians wanted to make it a crime, with a two-year prison sentence. However, the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked the government's attempt to pass the law. Mr Chope is a member of Prime Minister Theresa May's ruling Conservative Party. Ms May said she was "disappointed" that a member of her party blocked the law from being passed. She wanted to see upskirting become a criminal offence. She added that she wanted to see the bill pass soon, "with government support".

Upskirting is becoming a big problem around the world because of digital cameras on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have complained after men have taken photos up their skirts. Quite often, the man uploads the photo to a website. Mr Chope did not tell reporters why he blocked the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the campaign for the upskirting law, said Mr Chope told her that he objected to it because it "wasn't debated" in parliament. She also said Mr Chope "wasn't really sure" what upskirting was. Politician Dawn Butler said: "It's absolutely disgusting that a male [politician] has blocked upskirting from becoming a criminal offence."

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WARM-UPS

1. UPSKIRTING: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about upskirting. 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?

politician / secretly / crime / prison / attempt / disappointed / criminal / bill / support / problem / digital camera / photos / reporter / debated / parliament / disgusting / male

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

3. PRISON: Students A **strongly** believe upskirters should get two years in prison; Students B **strongly** believe they shouldn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. END UPSKIRTING: What can we do to end upskirting? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Actions	Effectiveness
Social Media		
Street Technology		
Police		
Schools		
The public		
Government		

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

6. PUNISHMENT: Rank these with your partner. Put the best punishments for upskirting at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- 2 years in prison
- community service
- public shaming
- huge fine
- barred from Internet
- "I'm an upskirter" tattoo
- counseling
- drug therapy

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. politician | a. An action that is against the law. |
| 2. blocked | b. The punishment to time in prison given to someone who breaks the law. |
| 3. pass | c. A person who is professionally involved in politics, especially as a holder of or a candidate for an elected office. |
| 4. crime | d. Help. |
| 5. sentence | e. Stopped or got in the way of an action happening. |
| 6. disappointed | f. Make an idea or bill to become law by agreeing to it. |
| 7. support | g. Sad or unhappy because someone or something did not do as you wanted them to. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8. complained | h. Really, really bad and horrible. |
| 9. uploads | i. Spoke or wrote about your unhappiness about someone or something. |
| 10. bill | j. Send something from a computer or mobile phone to a website or social networking site. |
| 11. objected | k. Talked and argued about something in a formal way. |
| 12. debated | l. Said something to show you disagree with or don't like something. |
| 13. absolutely | m. A paper that has a possible law on it that is talked about in a government. |
| 14. disgusting | n. Totally, totally, totally. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

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

- a. Politicians want a 5-year prison sentence for upskirting. **T / F**
- b. The politician was a member of the opposition party. **T / F**
- c. The UK's Prime Minister was disappointed with the politician. **T / F**
- d. The UK Prime Minister doesn't think the bill will be passed soon. **T / F**
- e. Upskirting is a big problem because of mobile phones. **T / F**
- f. The politician explained why he blocked the bill to journalists. **T / F**
- g. The politician said the law wasn't debated in parliament. **T / F**
- h. A politician said it was disgusting that a man blocked the upskirting bill. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. blocked | a. effort |
| 2. crime | b. sickening |
| 3. attempt | c. governing |
| 4. ruling | d. protested |
| 5. support | e. discussed |
| 6. becoming | f. obstructed |
| 7. complained | g. certain |
| 8. debated | h. help |
| 9. sure | i. offence |
| 10. disgusting | j. getting to be |

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

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. blocked a new law on upskirting | a. disgusting |
| 2. someone secretly takes | b. to pass the law |
| 3. politicians wanted to make | c. the bill pass soon |
| 4. the government's attempt | d. a big problem |
| 5. she wanted to see | e. a photo |
| 6. Upskirting is becoming | f. photo to a website |
| 7. women in many countries | g. from being passed |
| 8. the man uploads the | h. he objected to it |
| 9. Mr Chope told her that | i. it a crime |
| 10. absolutely | j. have complained |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

A politician in the United Kingdom has (1) _____ a new law on upskirting from being passed. Upskirting is when someone (2) _____ takes a photo under someone else's skirt. Many politicians wanted to make it a crime, with a two-year (3) _____ sentence. However, the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked the government's (4) _____ to pass the law. Mr Chope is a member of Prime Minister Theresa May's (5) _____ Conservative Party. Ms May said she was "disappointed" that a (6) _____ of her party blocked the law from being passed. She wanted to see upskirting become a (7) _____ offence. She added that she wanted to see the bill pass soon, "with government (8) _____".

prison
blocked
criminal
ruling
support
secretly
attempt
member

Upskirting is becoming a big (9) _____ around the world because of digital cameras on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have (10) _____ after men have taken photos up their skirts. Quite often, the man (11) _____ the photo to a website. Mr Chope did not tell reporters why he blocked the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the (12) _____ for the upskirting law, said Mr Chope told her that he (13) _____ to it because it "wasn't (14) _____" in parliament. She also said Mr Chope "wasn't really (15) _____" what upskirting was. Politician Dawn Butler said: "It's absolutely disgusting that a (16) _____ [politician] has blocked upskirting from becoming a criminal offence."

complained
campaign
debated
male
uploads
sure
problem
objected

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

- 1) A politician in the United Kingdom has blocked a new law on upskirting _____
 - a. from being past
 - b. from being pasted
 - c. from being passed
 - d. from being parsed
- 2) when someone secretly takes a photo under _____
 - a. someone else is skirt
 - b. some one's else's skirt
 - c. some one's else skirt
 - d. someone else's skirt
- 3) the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked the _____
 - a. government's attempts
 - b. government is attempt
 - c. government's attempt
 - d. governments attempts
- 4) she was "disappointed" that a member of her party blocked _____
 - a. the law
 - b. a law
 - c. this
 - d. their law
- 5) She added that she wanted to see the _
 - a. bill pass seen
 - b. bill pass soon
 - c. bill pass as soon
 - d. bill pass a soon
- 6) Upskirting is becoming a big problem around the world _____ cameras
 - a. because of digitalize
 - b. because of digital
 - c. because of digitally
 - d. because of digit all
- 7) Thousands of women in many countries have complained after men have _____
 - a. takes photos
 - b. taken photos
 - c. took photos
 - d. taking photos
- 8) Mr Chope did not tell reporters why he _____
 - a. blocks the bill
 - b. blocked the bill
 - c. block the bill
 - d. blocing the bill
- 9) Chope told her that he objected to it because it _____
 - a. "wasn't debate"
 - b. "wasn't debating"
 - c. "wasn't debates"
 - d. "wasn't debated"
- 10) It's absolutely disgusting that _____ has
 - a. a mail politician
 - b. a mule politician
 - c. a mile politician
 - d. a male politician

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

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Upskirting is becoming a big problem (7) _____ because of digital cameras on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have complained (8) _____ taken photos up their skirts. Quite often, the man uploads the photo to a website. Mr Chope (9) _____ reporters why he blocked the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the campaign for the upskirting law, said Mr Chope told her that (10) _____ it because it "wasn't debated" in parliament. She also said Mr Chope "wasn't really sure" what upskirting was. Politician Dawn Butler said: "It's (11) _____ a male [politician] has blocked upskirting (12) _____ criminal offence."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

1. What do many politicians want to make upskirting?
2. What kind of prison sentence do politicians want for upskirting?
3. What party does the politician who blocked the bill belong to?
4. How did the UK's prime minister say she felt?
5. When did the UK's prime minister hope to see the bill passed?
6. What is the cause of upskirting being such a big problem?
7. What do men often do with their photos?
8. What did a lady called Gina Martin start?
9. Why did a lady say the politician objected to the upskirting bill?
10. What did a politician called Dawn Butler call the bill's blocking?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

- 1) What do many politicians want to make upskirting?
 - a) a heinous crime
 - b) a crime
 - c) a cybercrime
 - d) a petty crime
- 2) What kind of prison sentence do politicians want for upskirting?
 - a) 18 months
 - b) five years
 - c) three years
 - d) two years
- 3) What party does the politician who blocked the bill belong to?
 - a) the Conservative Party
 - b) the Labour Party
 - c) the Monster Raving Loony Party
 - d) the Green Party
- 4) How did the UK's prime minister say she felt?
 - a) numb
 - b) disinterested
 - c) disappointed
 - d) bored
- 5) When did the UK's prime minister hope to see the bill passed?
 - a) 2020
 - b) soon
 - c) within minutes
 - d) later next year
- 6) What is the cause of upskirting being such a big problem?
 - a) digital cameras
 - b) low morals
 - c) advertising
 - d) drugs
- 7) What do men often do with their photos?
 - a) nothing
 - b) sell them
 - c) upload them
 - d) delete them
- 8) What did a lady called Gina Martin start?
 - a) a campaign
 - b) a help group
 - c) a self-defence class
 - d) a petition
- 9) Why reason did the politician give a lady for objecting to the bill?
 - a) it wasn't debated
 - b) it wasn't a crime
 - c) the sentence is too long
 - d) he doesn't like women
- 10) What did a politician called Dawn Butler call the bill's blocking?
 - a) dissolving
 - b) absolving
 - c) absolute
 - d) disgusting

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

Role A – Prison

You think prison is the best punishment for upskirters. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their punishments. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): community service, a huge fine or public shaming.

Role B – Community Service

You think community service is the best punishment for upskirters. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their punishments. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): prison, a huge fine or public shaming.

Role C – Huge Fine

You think a huge fine is the best punishment for upskirters. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their punishments. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): community service, prison or public shaming.

Role D – Public Shaming

You think public shaming is the best punishment for upskirters. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their punishments. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): community service, a huge fine or prison.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

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

politician	law
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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">• someone• two• attempt• disappointed• wanted• added	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• big• many• often• campaign• sure• male
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UPSKIRTING SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

Write five GOOD questions about upskirting 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.

UPSKIRTING DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'politician'?
3. What do you know about upskirting?
4. What do you think of people who take these photos?
5. What should the punishment be for these people?
6. What do you think of the politician who blocked the law?
7. What advice do you have for the politician?
8. What would you do if you saw someone upskirting?
9. What should Britain's Prime Minister do about this situation?
10. What would you do if people took your photo without asking?

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UPSKIRTING DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'law'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What is the mental state of people who take upskirting photos?
15. What can social media sites do about upskirting?
16. Should the bill have been debated in parliament?
17. Should men be banned from voting on issues like this?
18. Do men fully understand how disgusting upskirting is?
19. What street technology could prevent upskirting?
20. What questions would you like to ask the politician?

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

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

A politician in the United Kingdom has blocked a new law (1) _____ upskirting from being passed. Upskirting is when someone (2) _____ takes a photo under someone else's skirt. Many politicians wanted to make it a crime, with a two-year prison (3) _____. However, the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked the government's attempt to (4) _____ the law. Mr Chope is a member of Prime Minister Theresa May's ruling Conservative Party. Ms May said she was "disappointed" that a (5) _____ of her party blocked the law from being passed. She wanted to see upskirting become a (6) _____ offence. She added that she wanted to see the bill pass soon, "with government support".

Upskirting is (7) _____ a big problem around the world because of digital cameras on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have complained after men have taken photos up their skirts. (8) _____ often, the man uploads the photo to a website. Mr Chope did not tell reporters why he blocked the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the (9) _____ for the upskirting law, said Mr Chope told her that he objected to it because it "wasn't (10) _____ " in parliament. She also said Mr Chope "wasn't really sure" what upskirting was. Politician Dawn Butler said: "It's (11) _____ disgusting that a male [politician] has blocked upskirting (12) _____ becoming a criminal offence."

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) in | (b) on | (c) to | (d) at |
| 2. | (a) secrets | (b) secreted | (c) secret | (d) secretly |
| 3. | (a) line | (b) sentence | (c) paragraph | (d) chapter |
| 4. | (a) palm | (b) pail | (c) pass | (d) path |
| 5. | (a) member | (b) membership | (c) members | (d) dismember |
| 6. | (a) criminal | (b) criminally | (c) crime | (d) criminalize |
| 7. | (a) become | (b) becomes | (c) became | (d) becoming |
| 8. | (a) Quite | (b) Quit | (c) Quiet | (d) Quietly |
| 9. | (a) border | (b) campaign | (c) projection | (d) target |
| 10. | (a) debate | (b) debates | (c) debated | (d) debatable |
| 11. | (a) such | (b) true | (c) absolutely | (d) revolving |
| 12. | (a) at | (b) from | (c) on | (d) as |

SPELLING

Paragraph 1

1. someone ryclsete takes a photo
2. make it a rcmei
3. a two-year prison enetnesc
4. the government's mattep to pass the law
5. she was doaineippdts
6. become a criminal foenfce

Paragraph 2

7. because of daigit cameras
8. the man luoaspd the photo
9. started the mpicgana
10. he teedbjoc to it
11. it wasn't eetbdad
12. It's laoyultebs disgusting

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () Conservative Party. Ms May said she was "disappointed" that a member
- () of her party blocked the law from being passed. She wanted to see upskirting become a criminal
- () the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the campaign for the upskirting
- () someone secretly takes a photo under someone else's skirt. Many politicians wanted to make it
- () Upskirting is becoming a big problem around the world because of digital cameras
- () said Mr Chope "wasn't really sure" what upskirting was. Politician Dawn Butler said:
- () "It's absolutely disgusting that a male [politician] has blocked upskirting from becoming a criminal offence."
- () the government's attempt to pass the law. Mr Chope is a member of Prime Minister Theresa May's ruling
- () up their skirts. Quite often, the man uploads the photo to a website. Mr Chope did not tell reporters why he blocked
- () on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have complained after men have taken photos
- () a crime, with a two-year prison sentence. However, the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked
- (**1**) A politician in the United Kingdom has blocked a new law on upskirting from being passed. Upskirting is when
- () offence. She added that she wanted to see the bill pass soon, "with government support".
- () law, said Mr Chope told her that he objected to it because it "wasn't debated" in parliament. She also

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

1. from law on passed . upskirting a being Blocked
2. to a wanted make it Many politicians crime .
3. member the law . her of blocked A party
4. She offence . upskirting to become criminal a wanted
5. see bill the She wanted pass soon . to
6. Upskirting around a problem the is big world
7. many countries Thousands complained . have in of women
8. the reporters why bill . he blocked Tell
9. upskirting wasn't sure really what He was .
10. disgusting It's politician male upskirting . a blocked that

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

A politician in the United Kingdom has blocked a *newly / new* law on upskirting from being passed. Upskirting is when someone *secrets / secretly* takes a photo under *someone / someone's* else's skirt. Many politicians wanted to make it a crime, with a two-year prison *sentences / sentence*. However, the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked the government's *attempt / attempted* to pass the law. Mr Chope is a member of Prime Minister Theresa May's *ruling / ruled* Conservative Party. Ms May said she was "disappointed" that a member *at / of* her party blocked the law from being passed. She wanted *to / too* see upskirting become a criminal offence. She added that she wanted to see the bill pass *seen / soon*, "with government *support / supportive*".

Upskirting is becoming a big *problematic / problem* around the world because of digital *cameras / camera* on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have *complicated / complained* after men have taken photos up their skirts. Quite often, the man uploads the photo *at / to* a website. Mr Chope did not tell reporters *why / what* he blocked the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the campaign *at / for* the upskirting law, said Mr Chope told her that he *objected / object* to it because it "wasn't debated" *in / on* parliament. She also said Mr Chope "wasn't really sure" what upskirting *was / be*. Politician Dawn Butler said: "It's absolutely disgusting that a male [politician] has blocked upskirting from becoming a *criminal / crime* offence."

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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A p_l_t_c__ n _n th_ U_n_t_d K_n_g_d_m h_s b_l_c
k_d _ n_w l_w _n _p_s_k_r_t_n_g f_r_m b__ n_g p_s
s_d . U_p_s_k_r_t_n_g _s w_h_n s_m__ n_ s_c_r_t_l_y
t_k_s _ p_h_t_ _n_d_r s_m__ n_ _l_s_'s s_k_r_t . M_n_y
p_l_t_c__ n_s w_n_t_d t_ m_k_ _t _ c_r_m_ , w_t_h _
t_w_- y__ r p_r_s_n s_n_t_n_c_ . H_w_v_r , t_h_
p_l_t_c__ n S_r C_h_r_s_t_p_h_r C_h_p_ b_l_c_k_d t_h_
g_v_r_n_m_n_t's _t_t_m_p_t t_ p_s_s t_h_ l_w . M_r C
h_p_ _s _ m_m_b_r _f P_r_m_ M_n_s_t_r T_h_r_s_ M_y
's r_l_n_g C_n_s_r_v_t_v_ P_r_t_y . M_s M_y s__ d s
h_ w_s " d_s_p_p__ n_t_d " t_h_t _ m_m_b_r _f h_r
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180619-upskirting.html>

a politician in the united kingdom has blocked a new law on upskirting from being passed upskirting is when someone secretly takes a photo under someone elses skirt many politicians wanted to make it a crime with a twoyear prison sentence however the politician sir christopher chope blocked the governments attempt to pass the law mr chope is a member of prime minister theresa may's ruling conservative party ms may said she was disappointed that a member of her party blocked the law from being passed she wanted to see upskirting become a criminal offence she added that she wanted to see the bill pass soon with government support

upskirting is becoming a big problem around the world because of digital cameras on mobile phones thousands of women in many countries have complained after men have taken photos up their skirts quite often the man uploads the photo to a website mr chope did not tell reporters why he blocked the bill however gina martin the woman who started the campaign for the upskirting law said mr chope told her that he objected to it because it wasn't debated in parliament she also said mr chope wasn't really sure what upskirting was politician dawn butler said its absolutely disgusting that a male politician has blocked upskirting from becoming a criminal offence

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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A politician in the United Kingdom has blocked a new law on upskirting from being passed. Upskirting is when someone secretly takes a photo of someone else's skirt. Many politicians wanted to make it a crime, with a two-year prison sentence. However, the politician Sir Christopher Chope blocked the government's attempt to pass the law. Mr Chope is a member of Prime Minister Theresa May's ruling Conservative Party. Ms May said she was "disappointed" that a member of her party blocked the law from being passed. She wanted to see upskirting become a criminal offence. She added that she wanted to see the bill pass soon, "with government support". Upskirting is becoming a big problem around the world because of digital cameras on mobile phones. Thousands of women in many countries have complained after men have taken photos of their skirts. Quite often, they then upload the photo to a website. Mr Chope did not tell reporters why he blocked the bill. However, Gina Martin, the woman who started the campaign for the upskirting law, said Mr Chope told her that he objected to it because it "wasn't debated" in parliament. She also said Mr Chope "wasn't really sure" what upskirting was. Politician Dawn Butler said: "It's absolutely disgusting that a male [politician] has blocked upskirting from becoming a criminal offence."

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 this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

4. CRIME: Write a magazine article about making upskirting a criminal offence. 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 upskirting. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on what to do with people who take these photos. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. e 3. f 4. a 5. b 6. g 7. d
8. i 9. j 10. m 11. l 12. k 13. n 14. h

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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|----------------|------------------|
| 1. blocked | a. obstructed |
| 2. crime | b. offence |
| 3. attempt | c. effort |
| 4. ruling | d. governing |
| 5. support | e. help |
| 6. becoming | f. getting to be |
| 7. complained | g. protested |
| 8. debated | h. discussed |
| 9. sure | i. certain |
| 10. disgusting | j. sickening |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. A crime
2. Two years
3. The Conservative Party
4. Disappointed
5. Soon
6. Digital cameras
7. Upload them
8. A campaign for an upskirting law
9. It wasn't debated
10. Absolutely disgusting

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Blocked a law on upskirting from being passed.
2. Many politicians wanted to make it a crime.
3. A member of her party blocked the law.
4. She wanted upskirting to become a criminal offence.
5. She wanted to see the bill pass soon.
6. Upskirting is a big problem around the world
7. Thousands of women in many countries have complained.
8. Tell reporters why he blocked the bill.
9. He wasn't really sure what upskirting was.
10. It's disgusting that a male politician blocked upskirting.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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