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### Level 5 – 16th September

### Tanzania's president advises against birth control

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.



## THE READING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1809/180916-birth-control-5.html

Tanzania's President John Magufuli advised women to stop taking birth control pills. He said this was because Tanzania needed more people and it was wealthy enough to educate children. He said: "Women manv can aive now up contraceptive methods." President Magufuli cited the example of European countries that do not have enough workers, which he says is because of birth control. He told reporters: "I have traveled to Europe and I have seen the effects of birth control. In some countries they are now struggling with declining a population. They have no labor force."

President Magufuli said birth control was because of laziness. He said people who use family planning worry about feeding their children. He said they didn't want to work hard to feed a large family, so they use birth control instead and have just one or two children. He said: "You have cattle. You are big farmers. You can feed your children. Why then resort to birth control?" One politician pointed out that Tanzania does not help large families. He said: "Our health insurance schemes can only accommodate a maximum of four children from one family."

Sources: https://edition.cnn.com/2018/09/11/africa/tanzania-birth-control-magufuli-intl/index.html https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/09/tanzania-john-magufuli-advises-birth-control-180910193120646.html https://allafrica.com/stories/201809110040.html

# **PHRASE MATCHING**

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#### **PARAGRAPH ONE:**

1.	stop taking birth control
2.	Tanzania needed more
3.	it was wealthy enough to educate
4.	contraceptive
5.	countries that do not have
6.	I have seen the effects
7.	struggling with a declining
8.	They have no labor

#### **PARAGRAPH TWO:**

1.	birth control was because	a.	their children
2.	people who use family	b.	insurance
3.	worry about feeding	c.	work hard
4.	they didn't want to	d.	farmers
5.	feed a	e.	of laziness
6.	You are big	f.	to birth control
7.	resort	g.	planning
8.	health	h.	large family

- b. many children
- c. force
- d. enough workers
- e. people
- f. population
- g. pills
- h. methods

### LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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President Magufuli said birth control was (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_. He said people who use family planning (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_ their children. He said they didn't want to work hard to (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_ family, so they use birth control instead and have just one or two children. He said: "(10) \_\_\_\_\_. You are big farmers. You can feed your children. Why then resort to birth control?" One politician (11) \_\_\_\_\_ Tanzania does not help large families. He said: "Our health insurance schemes can only accommodate (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_ four children from one family."

# PUT A SLASH ( / )WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# **BIRTH CONTROL SURVEY**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1809/180916-birth-control-4.html

Write five GOOD questions about birth control 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)		

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# WRITING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1809/180916-birth-control-5.html

Write about **birth control** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.