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### Level 1 - 1st February, 2021

## A full moon could give you a bad night's sleep

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https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon-1.html

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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#### THE READING

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon-1.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon-1.html</a>

If you can't sleep, it could be because of a full moon. Scientists say there is a link between the Moon and our sleeping patterns. They say that on nights before a full moon, people have more problems sleeping. This could be because of the Moon's brightness. This makes sleeping more difficult. The scientists said moonlight is "so bright" that even if there is no other light, moonlight could change our sleep patterns at night.

The scientists studied the sleep patterns of over 500 people. There were 98 people from a village that had no electricity or other lights. Scientists compared their sleep patterns to 464 people living in a U.S. city. The scientists said people in the village and in the big city got less sleep on nights before the full moon. The light in cities does not seem to affect sleeping patterns. The scientists said human sleep is linked to the changing of the Moon.

Sources: https://www.**thesun.co.uk**/tech/13875791/how-the-moon-affects-sleep/

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of-the-moon-20210128

#### PHRASE MATCHING

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#### **PARAGRAPH ONE:**

| 1. If ' | you | a. | link |
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- 2. it could be because b. brightness
- 3. Scientists say there is a c. at night
- 4. on nights before d. difficult
- 5. This could be because of the Moon's e. of a full moon
- 6. This makes sleeping more f. bright
- 7. moonlight is so g. can't sleep
- 8. our sleep patterns h. a full moon

#### **PARAGRAPH TWO:**

- 1. scientists studied the sleep a. in a U.S. city
- 2. There were 98 people b. lights
- 3. no electricity or other c. the full moon
- 4. Scientists compared their d. from a village
- 5. 464 people living e. village
- 6. people in the f. patterns
- 7. on nights before g. of the Moon
- 8. linked to the changing h. sleep patterns

## LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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| If you can't sleep, it could (1)          | a full moon.            |
|---|-------------------------|
| Scientists say there is (2)               | the Moon and            |
| our sleeping patterns. They say (3)       | before                  |
| a full moon, (4) p                        | roblems sleeping. This  |
| could be because of the Moon's brightnes  | s. This makes sleeping  |
| more difficult. The scientists            | said moonlight          |
| (5) that even if the                      | here is no other light, |
| moonlight could change our sleep (6)      |                         |
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| The scientists (7)                        | patterns of over 500    |
| people. There were 98 people from a       | village that had no     |
| electricity (8) Science                   | entists compared their  |
| sleep patterns to 464 (9)                 | a U.S. city. The        |
| scientists said people in the vi          | llage and in the        |
| (10) less sleep on                        | nights before the full  |
| moon. The light in cities does not (11) _ |                         |
| sleeping patterns. The scientists         | said human sleep        |
| the changing of                           | f the Moon.             |

## PUT A SLASH ( / )WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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#### **SLEEP SURVEY**

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon-4.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2102/210201-full-moon-4.html</a>

Write five GOOD questions about sleep 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).

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|    | B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).   |
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## **WRITING**

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| Write about <b>sleep</b> for 1 | 0 minutes. | Read and | talk about | your partr | ner's pape | r. |
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