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**Level 4** – 7th November, 2022

## Hygiene poverty on the rise in the U.K.

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2211/221107-hygiene-poverty-4.html>

Millions of people in the U.K. cannot buy essential hygiene products because of the rising cost of living. The charity Hygiene Bank states that up to 3.2 million adults are living in "hygiene poverty". They cannot afford basic goods such as soap, deodorant, toothpaste, shaving products, toilet paper and sanitary products. They have to choose between eating or buying hygiene products. Hygiene Bank called it a "hidden crisis" that "impacted the most vulnerable".

Hygiene poverty is devastating. People are too ashamed to leave their house because they are worried about smelling bad. Hygiene Bank gave examples of the effects it has on people. It said: "We have mums telling us...that they want to be last on the nursery drop-off because they're too embarrassed and ashamed to see other parents." Many people with acne are seeing their condition worsen because they cannot afford soap.

Sources: <https://www.cosmopolitan.com/uk/reports/a41788064/hygiene-poverty-people-shame-cost-of-living/>  
<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-63403823>  
<https://uk.news.yahoo.com/hygiene-poverty-affecting-3-2-151108759.html>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2211/221107-hygiene-poverty-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                    |                            |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. buy essential hygiene           | a. in hygiene poverty      |
| 2. the rising cost                 | b. vulnerable              |
| 3. adults are living               | c. as soap                 |
| 4. basic goods such                | d. buying hygiene products |
| 5. toilet paper and                | e. crisis                  |
| 6. choose between eating or        | f. sanitary products       |
| 7. Hygiene Bank called it a hidden | g. products                |
| 8. impacted the most               | h. of living               |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                      |                      |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Hygiene poverty is                | a. soap              |
| 2. People are too ashamed to         | b. bad               |
| 3. worried about smelling            | c. drop-off          |
| 4. examples of the effects           | d. condition worsen  |
| 5. be last on the nursery            | e. leave their house |
| 6. ashamed to                        | f. devastating       |
| 7. people with acne are seeing their | g. see other parents |
| 8. they cannot afford                | h. it has on people  |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Millions of people in the U.K. (1) \_\_\_\_\_ hygiene products because of the (2) \_\_\_\_\_ living. The charity Hygiene Bank states that up to 3.2 million (3) \_\_\_\_\_ in "hygiene poverty". They cannot afford basic goods (4) \_\_\_\_\_, deodorant, toothpaste, shaving products, toilet paper and sanitary products. They have to (5) \_\_\_\_\_ or buying hygiene products. Hygiene Bank called it a "hidden crisis" that "impacted (6) \_\_\_\_\_".

Hygiene (7) \_\_\_\_\_. People are too ashamed to leave their house because they are worried (8) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hygiene Bank gave examples of (9) \_\_\_\_\_ has on people. It said: "We have mums telling us...that they want to (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the nursery drop-off because they're too embarrassed and (11) \_\_\_\_\_ other parents." Many people with acne are seeing (12) \_\_\_\_\_ because they cannot afford soap.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# HYGIENE POVERTY SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2211/221107-hygiene-poverty-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about hygiene poverty 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) \_\_\_\_\_

