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Your soap might mean mosquitoes bite you more

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Mosquitoes seem to like some people more than others. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university in the USA believe the smell of our body could attract mosquitoes. This includes our natural body odour and smells from soaps and perfumes. Some of these smells could also help to reduce the number of bites we get in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes seemed to prefer soap with a flowery smell. The lead researcher said over 60 per cent of the smells coming from our body come from soap rather than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could change how attractive we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a neutral or no smell could make us less tasty to the creatures.

The researchers tested the effects on mosquitoes of four popular brands of soap. They analyzed the smell of different people after they used each soap, and when they did not wash themselves. The researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a cage full of mosquitoes. The insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells from the soapy cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted by floral and fruity smells. One researcher gave some advice. He said: "I would choose a coconut-scented soap if I wanted to reduce mosquito attraction." Mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. The diseases they carry kill about 725,000 people a year.

Sources: <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2023/06/07/why-do-mosquito-bites-itch/70268596007/>
<https://www.indiatoday.in/health/story/are-you-a-mosquito-magnet-it-could-be-your-soap-2392070-2023-06-12>
<https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/scented-soaps-can-attract-or-repel-mosquitoes-research-finds/3051062/>

WARM-UPS

1. MOSQUITOES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about mosquitoes. 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?

mosquitoes / smell / body odour / soap / perfume / summer / bites / attractive / tasty popular brands / wash / soapy / cage / fruity smells / coconut / creatures / diseases

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

3. NATURE: Students A **strongly** believe nature needs mosquitoes; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. DEADLY CREATURES: What do you know about these deadly creatures? What would you do if one came near you? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What I Know	What I (Would) Do
Mosquito		
Poisonous snake		
Tarantula		
Shark		
Bear		
Lion		

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

6. SMELLS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best smells at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Soap
- Perfume
- Chocolate
- Grass
- Banana
- Coffee
- Fresh bread
- BBQs

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|------------|---|
| 1. seem | a. The result of an animal, insect, snake, shark, etc. attacking you with their teeth or other body part. |
| 2. attract | b. A strong smell, especially a bad one. |
| 3. odour | c. Cause to come to a place or do something by offering something interesting. |
| 4. perfume | d. Having no strong characteristics or features. |
| 5. bite | e. Look like being something. |
| 6. prefer | f. A liquid made from flowers and spices, used to give a nice smell to one's body. |
| 7. neutral | g. Like one thing or person better than another or others. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------|--|
| 8. effects | h. A structure of bars or wires in which birds or other animals are kept. |
| 9. brand | i. Help given to someone about the best future action to take. |
| 10. analyzed | j. About flowers. |
| 11. cage | k. A type of product made by a particular company under a particular name. |
| 12. floral | l. An illness in a human, animal, or plant. |
| 13. advice | m. The changes that are because of an action or other cause. |
| 14. disease | n. Examined something to explain and understand it. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

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

1. The article says mosquitoes love all people. **T / F**
2. The smell of perfume could attract mosquitoes to you. **T / F**
3. The article says mosquitoes like flowers with a soapy smell. **T / F**
4. Changing our soap could keep mosquitoes away. **T / F**
5. Researchers tested the smell of 40 soaps on mosquitoes. **T / F**
6. Researchers put the smell of unwashed people in a cage of mosquitoes. **T / F**
7. Mosquitoes may like the same smells that humans like. **T / F**
8. The article says mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. **T / F**

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

- | | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| 1. seem | a. cut |
| 2. odour | b. most lethal |
| 3. reduce | c. delicious |
| 4. attractive | d. well-liked |
| 5. tasty | e. smell |
| 6. popular | f. examined |
| 7. analyzed | g. suggestion |
| 8. like | h. appear |
| 9. advice | i. similar to |
| 10. deadliest | j. appealing |

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

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. Mosquitoes seem to like some people | a. or no smell |
| 2. the smell of our body | b. a flowery smell |
| 3. help to reduce the number of | c. full of mosquitoes |
| 4. prefer soap with | d. could attract mosquitoes |
| 5. Soap with a neutral | e. be like humans |
| 6. the effects on mosquitoes of four popular | f. deadliest creatures |
| 7. in a cage | g. more than others |
| 8. Mosquitoes may | h. scented soap |
| 9. I would choose a coconut- | i. bites we get |
| 10. Mosquitoes are the world's | j. brands of soap |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Mosquitoes seem to like some people more than (1) _____. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university in the USA believe the smell of our body could (2) _____ mosquitoes. This includes our (3) _____ body odour and smells from soaps and perfumes. Some of these smells could also help to reduce the number of (4) _____ we get in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes seemed to (5) _____ soap with a flowery smell. The lead researcher said over 60 per cent of the smells (6) _____ from our body come from soap rather than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could (7) _____ how attractive we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a neutral or no smell could make us less (8) _____ to the creatures.

coming
bites
others
change
attract
prefer
tasty
natural

The researchers tested the (9) _____ on mosquitoes of four popular (10) _____ of soap. They analyzed the smell of different people after they used each soap, and when they did not (11) _____ themselves. The researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a (12) _____ full of mosquitoes. The insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells from the (13) _____ cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted by floral and fruity smells. One researcher gave some (14) _____. He said: "I would choose a coconut-scented soap if I wanted to reduce mosquito (15) _____." Mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. The (16) _____ they carry kill about 725,000 people a year.

wash
soapy
attraction
effects
diseases
cage
brands
advice

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

- 1) Mosquitoes seem to like some people _____
 - a. more than another
 - b. more than others
 - c. more than other
 - d. more than otherly
- 2) The researchers said mosquitoes seemed to prefer soap with _____
 - a. a flower rice smell
 - b. a flower rise smell
 - c. a flowery smell
 - d. a flow very smell
- 3) smells coming from our body come from soap rather than _____
 - a. natural body odours
 - b. natural body yodels
 - c. natural body others
 - d. natural body udders
- 4) He said that changing the soap we use could change how _____
 - a. attractive we aren't
 - b. attractive we're
 - c. attractive weir
 - d. attractive we are
- 5) Soap with a neutral or no smell could make us less tasty _____
 - a. to the creatives
 - b. to the creed yours
 - c. to the creatures
 - d. to the craters
- 6) The researchers tested the effects on mosquitoes of four popular _____
 - a. braids of soap
 - b. bland of soap
 - c. brand of soap
 - d. brands of soap
- 7) the smell of different people after they used each soap, and when they did _____
 - a. not wash themselves
 - b. not wash ourselves
 - c. not wash yourselves
 - d. not wash in selves
- 8) put them in two different cups in a cage _____
 - a. full of mosquitoes
 - b. full off mosquitoes
 - c. fill of mosquitoes
 - d. fuller mosquitoes
- 9) The insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells from _____
 - a. the soap pee cups
 - b. the soap pea cups
 - c. the so pea cups
 - d. the soapy cups
- 10) Mosquitoes are the _____
 - a. world's deadly yeast creatures
 - b. world's dead least creatures
 - c. world's deadliest creatures
 - d. world's dead last creatures

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Mosquitoes seem to like some people (1) _____. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university in the USA believe the smell of our body could attract mosquitoes. This includes (2) _____ odour and smells from soaps and perfumes. Some of these smells could also help to reduce the number of (3) _____ in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes (4) _____ soap with a flowery smell. The lead researcher said over 60 per cent of the smells coming from our body come from soap rather than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could (5) _____ we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a neutral or no smell could make (6) _____ to the creatures.

The researchers (7) _____ on mosquitoes of four popular brands of soap. They analyzed the smell of different people after they used each soap, and when they (8) _____ themselves. The researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in (9) _____ of mosquitoes. The insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells from the soapy cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they (10) _____ floral and fruity smells. One researcher gave some advice. He said: "I would choose a coconut-scented soap if I (11) _____ mosquito attraction." Mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. The diseases they (12) _____ 725,000 people a year.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

1. What is the name of the university the research came from?
2. What smells attract mosquitoes besides body odour and soap?
3. What could we reduce in summer by using a different soap?
4. What smells do mosquitoes prefer?
5. What kind of soap would make us less attractive to mosquitoes?
6. How many brands of soap were part of the research?
7. In what did researchers put the smell of unwashed people?
8. What was a cage full of?
9. What kind of soap did a researcher recommend we use?
10. What's the world's deadliest creature?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

- 1) What is the name of the university the research came from?
 - a) Mosquito Tech
 - b) MIT
 - c) Oxford
 - d) Virginia Tech
- 2) What smells attract mosquitoes besides body odour and soap?
 - a) trash
 - b) perfume
 - c) milk
 - d) food
- 3) What could we reduce in summer by using a different soap?
 - a) body odour
 - b) skin problems
 - c) mosquito bites
 - d) body temperature
- 4) What smells do mosquitoes prefer?
 - a) a flowery smell
 - b) string smells
 - c) natural smells
 - d) human smells
- 5) What kind of soap would make us less attractive to mosquitoes?
 - a) perfumed soap
 - b) liquid soap
 - c) scentless soap
 - d) coal tar soap
- 6) How many brands of soap were part of the research?
 - a) three
 - b) four
 - c) two
 - d) five
- 7) In what did researchers put the smell of unwashed people?
 - a) a microscope
 - b) a test tube
 - c) a mosquito's mouth
 - d) a cup
- 8) What was a cage full of?
 - a) mosquitoes
 - b) smells
 - c) insect spray
 - d) technology
- 9) What kind of soap did a researcher recommend we use?
 - a) strawberry-flavoured soap
 - b) body soap
 - c) coconut-scented soap
 - d) cheap soap
- 10) What's the world's deadliest creature?
 - a) dogs
 - b) mosquitoes
 - c) snakes
 - d) spiders

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Role A – Soap

You think the smell of soap is best. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their smells. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): chocolate, freshly-baked bread or banana.

Role B – Chocolate

You think the smell of chocolate is best. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their smells. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): soap, freshly-baked bread or banana.

Role C – Freshly-baked Bread

You think the smell of freshly-baked bread is best. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their smells. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): chocolate, soap or banana.

Role D – Banana

You think the smell of banana is best. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their smells. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): chocolate, freshly-baked bread or soap.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

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

soap	mosquito

- 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">• some• perfumes• bites• flowery• rather• less	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• popular• each• cage• advice• reduce• kill
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MOSQUITOES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about mosquitoes 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.

MOSQUITOES 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 'soap'?
3. What do you think of mosquitoes?
4. How much do mosquitoes like you?
5. What are your favourite smells?
6. What soaps and perfumes or fragrances do you like?
7. What do you think of body odour?
8. How often do you get a mosquito bite?
9. What's the best way to treat a mosquito bite?
10. Will you now try different soaps?

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MOSQUITOES 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 'mosquito'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about mosquitoes?
15. What do you do to keep mosquitoes away?
16. What flowery and fruity smells do you like?
17. What three adjectives best describe mosquitoes?
18. What do you think of the mosquito's sound near your ear?
19. Why are mosquitoes so deadly?
20. What questions would you like to ask the researchers?

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/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Mosquitoes seem to like some people more (1) ____ others. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university in the USA believe the smell of our body could (2) ____ mosquitoes. This includes our natural body odour and smells from soaps and perfumes. Some of these (3) ____ could also help to reduce the number of bites we get in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes seemed to prefer soap with a flowery (4) _____. The lead researcher said over 60 per cent of the smells coming from our body come from soap (5) ____ than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could change how attractive we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a neutral or no smell could make us less (6) ____ to the creatures.

The researchers tested the effects (7) ____ mosquitoes of four popular brands of soap. They analyzed the smell of different people after they used (8) ____ soap, and when they did not wash themselves. The researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a cage full of mosquitoes. The insects (9) ____ to prefer the flowery smells from the soapy cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted (10) ____ floral and fruity smells. One researcher gave some advice. He said: "I would choose a coconut-(11) ____ soap if I wanted to reduce mosquito attraction." Mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. The diseases they (12) ____ kill about 725,000 people a year.

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. | (a) than | (b) that | (c) these | (d) them |
| 2. | (a) detest | (b) reject | (c) attract | (d) digest |
| 3. | (a) pongs | (b) stinks | (c) smells | (d) whiffs |
| 4. | (a) stink | (b) stench | (c) reek | (d) smell |
| 5. | (a) rather | (b) prefer | (c) instead | (d) over |
| 6. | (a) tasteful | (b) tasty | (c) tasteless | (d) taste |
| 7. | (a) by | (b) in | (c) at | (d) on |
| 8. | (a) all | (b) each | (c) whole | (d) every |
| 9. | (a) seen | (b) rather | (c) seemed | (d) lather |
| 10. | (a) of | (b) at | (c) on | (d) by |
| 11. | (a) sense | (b) sender | (c) sent | (d) scented |
| 12. | (a) send | (b) carry | (c) die | (d) lift |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. insecitsts from the Virginia Tech university
2. the smell of our body could rctaatt mosquitoes
3. smells from soaps and esuepmrf
4. help to uceedr the number of bites
5. change how aarevtitc we are
6. make us less tasty to the earusrct

Paragraph 2

7. researchers tested the cfstefe on mosquitoes
8. The insects seemed to efrpre the flowery smells
9. floral and fuitry smells
10. One researcher gave some ieadvc
11. choose a coconut-secntde soap
12. The ssesadei they carry

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) Mosquitoes seem to like some people more than others. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university
- () people after they used each soap, and when they did not wash themselves. The researchers recreated the soapy
- () a coconut-scented soap if I wanted to reduce mosquito attraction." Mosquitoes are the world's
- () smell. The lead researcher said over 60 per cent of the smells coming from our body come from soap rather
- () by floral and fruity smells. One researcher gave some advice. He said: "I would choose
- () odour and smells from soaps and perfumes. Some of these smells could also help to reduce the number
- () prefer the flowery smells from the soapy cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted
- () The researchers tested the effects on mosquitoes of four popular brands of soap. They analyzed the smell of different
- () of bites we get in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes seemed to prefer soap with a flowery
- () we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a neutral or no smell could make us less tasty to the creatures.
- () than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could change how attractive
- () and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a cage full of mosquitoes. The insects seemed to
- () deadliest creatures. The diseases they carry kill about 725,000 people a year.
- () in the USA believe the smell of our body could attract mosquitoes. This includes our natural body

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

1. others . like more Mosquitoes than some people
2. of attract our smell body could mosquitoes . The
3. bites we the number of Reduce get .
4. flowery to soap seemed prefer with smells . Mosquitoes
5. to attractive how mosquitoes . are Change we
6. brands The four of effects soap . popular of
7. people . different the smell They of analyzed
8. insects flowery the to seemed prefer The smells .
9. choose wanted . soap a would coconut-scented if I I
10. the among deadliest creatures . Mosquitoes are world's

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

Mosquitoes seem to like some people *more / most* than others. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university in the USA *believe / belief* the smell of our body could *attractive / attract* mosquitoes. This includes our natural body odour and *smells / stinks* from soaps and perfumes. Some of these smells could also help to reduce the number of *bite / bites* we get in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes seemed to *prefer / rather* soap with a flowery smell. The lead researcher said over 60 per cent of the smells coming from our body come from soap *lather / rather* than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could change *how / what* attractive we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a *neuter / neutral* or no smell could make us less *yum / tasty* to the creatures.

The researchers *tasted / tested* the effects on mosquitoes of four popular *brands / bland* of soap. They analyzed the smell of *difference / different* people after they used each soap, and when they did not wash *themselves / ourselves*. The researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a cage *full / on* of mosquitoes. The insects seemed to *prefer / rather* the flowery smells from the soapy cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted by *floral / coral* and fruity smells. One researcher gave some *advice / advise*. He said: "I would choose a coconut-scented soap *what / if* I wanted to reduce mosquito attraction." Mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. The diseases they carry kill about 725,000 people *for / a* year.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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M_sq__t__s s__m t_ l_k_ s_m_ p__pl_ m_r_ th_n
_th_rs. Sc__nt_sts fr_m th_ V_rgn__ T_ch _n_v_rs_ty
n th _S_ b_l__v_ th_ sm_ll _f __r b_dy c__ld
_ttr_ct m_sq__t__s. Th_s _ncl_d_s __r n_t_r_l b_dy
_d__r _nd sm_lls fr_m s__ps _nd p_rf_m_s. S_m_ _f
th_s_ sm_lls c__ld _ls_ h_lp t_ r_d_c_ th_ n_mb_r _f
b_t_s w_ g_t _n th_ s_mm_r. Th_ r_s__rch_rs s__d
m_sq__t__s s__m_d t_ pr_f_r s__p w_th _ fl_w_ry
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_f d_ff_r_nt p__pl_ _ft_r th_y _s_d __ch s__p, _nd
wh_n th_y d_d n_t w_sh th_ms_lv_s. Th_ r_s__rch_rs
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2306/230615-soap-and-mosquitoes.html>

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the researchers tested the effects on mosquitoes of four popular brands of soap they analyzed the smell of different people after they used each soap and when they did not wash themselves the researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a cage full of mosquitoes the insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells from the soapy cups mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted by floral and fruity smells one researcher gave some advice he said i would choose a coconutscented soap if i wanted to reduce mosquito attraction mosquitoes are the worlds deadliest creatures the diseases they carry kill about 725000 people a year

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Mosquitoes seem to like some people more than others. Scientists from the Virginia Tech university in the USA believe the smell of our body could attract mosquitoes. This includes our natural body odour and smells from soaps and perfumes. Some of these smells could also help to reduce the number of bites we get in the summer. The researchers said mosquitoes seem to prefer soap with a flowery smell. The lead researcher said over 60 percent of the smells coming from our body come from soap rather than natural body odours. He said that changing the soap we use could change how attractive we are to mosquitoes. Soap with a neutral or no smell could make us less tasty to the creatures. The researcher tested the effects on mosquitoes of four popular brands of soap. They analyzed the smell of different people after they used each soap, and when they did not wash themselves. The researchers recreated the soapy and unwashed smells and put them in two different cups in a cage full of mosquitoes. The insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells from the soapy cups. Mosquitoes may be like humans because they are attracted by floral and fruity smells. One researcher gave some advice. He said: "I would choose a coconut-scented soap if I wanted to reduce mosquito attraction." Mosquitoes are the world's deadliest creatures. The diseases they carry kill about 725,000 people a year.

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

4. SOAP: Write a magazine article about changing the smell of all soap to make us less attractive to mosquitoes. 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 mosquitoes. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to stop mosquitoes biting us. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

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

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 T 3 F 4 T 5 F 6 T 7 T 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. h	2. e	3. a	4. j	5. c
6. d	7. f	8. i	9. g	10. b

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Virginia Tech
2. Perfume
3. Mosquito bites
4. A flowery smell
5. Soap with a neutral or no smell
6. Four
7. A cup
8. Mosquitoes
9. Coconut-scented soap
10. Mosquitoes

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

1. Mosquitoes like some people more than others.
2. The smell of our body could attract mosquitoes.
3. Reduce the number of bites we get.
4. Mosquitoes seemed to prefer soap with flowery smells.
5. Change how attractive we are to mosquitoes.
6. The effects of four popular brands of soap.
7. They analyzed the smell of different people.
8. The insects seemed to prefer the flowery smells.
9. I would choose a coconut-scented soap if I wanted.
10. Mosquitoes are among the world's deadliest creatures.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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