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Level 4

Burglary a threat to mental health

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1406/140622-burglaries-4.html>

A study shows that burglary is a big threat to our mental health. The survey is from a British charity and a home security company. It was based on 1,000 people who had been burgled. A quarter of them had anxiety or depression; a quarter felt sad to think they could not protect their home. Many people felt unsafe after a burglary. Many victims became afraid of being attacked in the streets. They were not afraid before being burgled.

The British Psychological Society said people underestimate how traumatic burglary is. A professor said: "Burglary is frequently seen as a minor crime....However psychologically and emotionally...being burgled is likely to have a severe emotional outcome for many victims who were, up to then, leading ordinary lives." People often want to move to a different house. Other people get depressed and cannot sleep. Others have marriage problems.

Sources: <http://www.bps.org.uk/news/burglary-seriously-damages-mental-health>
<http://news.uk.msn.com/study-reveals-impact-of-burglary-1>

MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1406/140622-burglaries-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. burglary is a big threat | a. their home |
| 2. It was based on 1,000 people | b. before being burgled |
| 3. they could not protect | c. attacked in the streets |
| 4. Many people felt | d. to our mental health |
| 5. afraid of being | e. unsafe after a burglary |
| 6. They were not afraid | f. who had been burgled |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. people underestimate how | a. seen as a minor crime |
| 2. Burglary is frequently | b. lives |
| 3. psychologically and | c. problems |
| 4. leading ordinary | d. traumatic burglary is |
| 5. Other people get depressed and | e. emotionally |
| 6. Others have marriage | f. cannot sleep |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A study shows that burglary (1) _____ our mental health.

The survey is from a British charity (2) _____ company. It

was based on 1,000 people (3) _____. A quarter of them

had anxiety or depression; a (4) _____ to think they could

not protect their home. Many people (5) _____ burglary.

Many victims became afraid of (6) _____ the streets. They

were not afraid before being burgled.

The British Psychological Society said (7) _____ how

traumatic burglary is. A professor said: "(8) _____ seen as

a minor crime.... (9) _____ and emotionally...being burgled

is likely (10) _____ emotional outcome for many victims

who were, up to then, (11) _____." People often want to

move to a different house. Other people (12) _____ cannot

sleep. Others have marriage problems.

BURGLARY SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1406/140622-burglaries-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about burglary 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)

g)

h)

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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)

g)

h)

