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Hospital chains toys to beds to stop thieves

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THE READING

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Hospitals in Wales are chaining children's toys to beds with bicycle locks to stop thieves stealing them. One father said he was shocked that people steal toys from a hospital. He said the toys were provided by the hospital for seriously ill children. He added: "I was talking to the nurses about how disgusting it was that they had to do that because they were saying that people had been stealing them."

A hospital said toys and games were occasionally stolen. It advised all staff to lock away the more expensive things. It also tells visitors and staff to be careful with their valuables. It added: "Our hospitals have CCTV coverage and security on site at all times." Toys are not the only things being stolen. Televisions in waiting rooms also disappear. The father said it was, "a sad reflection on society. I cannot believe this is happening in Britain".

Sources: <http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/vile-crooks-target-sick-kids-8417714>
<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/childrens-toys-chained-beds-hospitals-4959314>
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MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1501/150114-toys-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. chaining children's toys to beds | a. do that |
| 2. stop thieves | b. ill children |
| 3. shocked that people steal | c. been stealing them |
| 4. the toys were provided | d. with bicycle locks |
| 5. for seriously | e. toys from a hospital |
| 6. how disgusting | f. by the hospital |
| 7. they had to | g. stealing them |
| 8. people had | h. it was |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. toys and games were | a. coverage |
| 2. lock away the | b. things being stolen |
| 3. It also tells visitors and | c. more expensive things |
| 4. Our hospitals have CCTV | d. rooms |
| 5. security on site | e. occasionally stolen |
| 6. Toys are not the only | f. on society |
| 7. waiting | g. at all times |
| 8. a sad reflection | h. staff to be careful |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Hospitals in Wales are chaining children's (1) _____ bicycle locks to stop thieves stealing them. One father (2) _____ that people (3) _____ hospital. He said the toys were provided by the hospital (4) _____ children. He added: "I was talking to the nurses (5) _____ it was that they had to do that because they were saying that people (6) _____ them."

A hospital said toys and games (7) _____. It advised all staff to lock away (8) _____ things. It also tells visitors and staff to be careful (9) _____. It added: "Our hospitals have CCTV coverage and security (10) _____." Toys are not the only things being stolen. Televisions (11) _____ also disappear. The father said it was, "(12) _____ society. I cannot believe this is happening in Britain".

TOYS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about toys 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) _____

