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Level 2

Bald men are more attractive and confident

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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New research says bald and balding men should not worry about their looks. Many men get stressed about losing their hair. However, research from the University of Pennsylvania shows that women and men think bald men are more attractive, more confident and taller. Researchers asked people to rate photos of men. There were three categories - attractiveness, confidence and dominance. Bald men came top in every category. The study said: "[Bald] men were viewed as nearly [2 centimetres] and 13 per cent stronger."

The researchers said bald men could do better in life because they have no hair. They could be more successful in negotiations because they look stronger. However, there is some bad news for bald men. A bald or shaved head makes a man look about four years older. An American hair loss group said 85 per cent of men will be going bald by the age of 50. Men might not need to spend billions of dollars every year trying to stop hair loss. Instead, they should be happy to be bald. Researchers said: "Men might improve their well-being by finishing what Mother Nature has started."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. bald and | a. dominance |
| 2. worry about their | b. attractive |
| 3. bald men are more | c. stronger |
| 4. Researchers asked people to rate | d. looks |
| 5. There were three | e. photos of men |
| 6. confidence and | f. category |
| 7. Bald men came top in every | g. categories |
| 8. 13 per cent | h. balding men |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. do better | a. loss |
| 2. be more successful in | b. head |
| 3. A bald or shaved | c. Nature has started |
| 4. An American hair | d. in life |
| 5. men will be going bald by | e. well-being |
| 6. trying to stop hair | f. loss group |
| 7. Men might improve their | g. the age of 50 |
| 8. by finishing what Mother | h. negotiations |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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New research says bald (1) _____ should not worry about their looks. Many men get stressed about (2) _____. However, research from the University of Pennsylvania shows that women and men think bald men are more attractive, (3) _____ and taller. Researchers asked people to (4) _____ men. There were three categories - attractiveness, confidence (5) _____. Bald men came top in every category. The study said: "[Bald] men were (6) _____ [2 centimetres] taller and 13 per cent stronger."

The researchers said bald men could do (7) _____ because they have no hair. They could be more successful in negotiations because (8) _____. However, there is some bad news for bald men. A bald (9) _____ makes a man look about four years older. An American hair loss group said 85 per cent of men will be (10) _____ the age of 50. Men might not need to spend billions of dollars every year trying to (11) _____. Instead, they should be happy to be bald. Researchers said: "Men might improve their well-being by finishing what (12) _____ has started."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HAIR LOSS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about hair loss 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) _____

