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Level 0

Women should have babies before 35

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1309/130913-fertility-0.html>

A doctor said women should have babies before they are 35.

The doctor said 35 is when the "clock strikes 12". It is riskier to be pregnant after 35. It is difficult to help older women have a baby. She told doctors and nurses this at a science festival.

She would worry if her daughter didn't have a baby by 35.

Many women have a baby when they are older. They do not want to stop working. They don't get married or settle down.

The doctor said we must help younger women have children. A childcare worker said the same. She said people can't order babies. Young women don't always find a partner, a house, or "the right man".

Sources: <http://www.nursingtimes.net/nursing-practice/clinical-zones/midwifery-and-neonatal-nursing-/women-should-have-babies-before-35-warns-professor/5063112.article>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1. have | a. and nurses |
| 2. before they | b. strikes 12 |
| 3. when the clock | c. festival |
| 4. It is | d. are 35 |
| 5. be pregnant | e. women have a baby |
| 6. help older | f. babies |
| 7. doctors | g. riskier |
| 8. a science | h. after 35 |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. when they | a. married |
| 2. get | b. worker |
| 3. settle | c. a partner |
| 4. we must help younger | d. man |
| 5. A childcare | e. down |
| 6. people can't | f. women |
| 7. find | g. order babies |
| 8. the right | h. are older |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ women should have babies before they are 35. The doctor said 35 is when

(2) _____ 12". It is riskier

(3) _____ after 35. It is (4) _____

older women have a baby. She told (5) _____

this at a science festival. She (6) _____ her

daughter didn't have a baby by 35.

Many women have a baby when (7) _____.

They do not want (8) _____.

They don't get married or settle down. The doctor said

(9) _____ younger women have children. A

(10) _____ said the same. She said people

(11) _____.

Young women don't always find a partner, a house, or " (12) _____ ".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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) _____

