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Level 4 – 12th March, 2019

Dog walking can be harmful for older people

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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It is common sense that dog-walking is good for older people. It is a good excuse to get some healthy exercise. Research shows that dog-walking can be bad for seniors. A report in a medical journal says more seniors are getting injured because of dog-walking. Researchers found over 32,000 cases of over-65s suffering fractures after dog-walking. Some injuries were serious and the senior needed emergency surgery.

Researchers advised of possible dangers to walking a dog. They said older adults with weaker bones must think about these dangers. The researchers said just one injury could cause a deadly hip fracture. It could also cause lifelong complications and lost independence. Researchers blamed a "small person/big dog" scenario for many accidents. Big dogs are often mismatched with weak seniors. An elderly dog owner said old people need dogs.

Sources: <https://www.foxnews.com/health/dog-walking-may-be-hazardous-to-seniors-health-study-suggests>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. dog-walking is good for older | a. of dog-walking |
| 2. get some healthy | b. surgery |
| 3. dog-walking can be bad | c. journal |
| 4. A report in a medical | d. exercise |
| 5. getting injured because | e. serious |
| 6. cases of over-65s | f. for seniors |
| 7. Some injuries were | g. people |
| 8. emergency | h. suffering fractures |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Researchers advised of possible | a. dog owner |
| 2. older adults with weaker | b. scenario |
| 3. think | c. complications |
| 4. a deadly hip | d. with weak seniors |
| 5. It could also cause lifelong | e. bones |
| 6. a "small person/big dog" | f. fracture |
| 7. dogs are often mismatched | g. dangers |
| 8. An elderly | h. about these dangers |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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It is (1) _____ dog-walking is good for older people. It is a good excuse to (2) _____ exercise. Research shows that dog-walking can be (3) _____. A report in a medical journal says more seniors (4) _____ because of dog-walking. Researchers found over 32,000 (5) _____-65s suffering fractures after dog-walking. Some (6) _____ and the senior needed emergency surgery.

Researchers (7) _____ dangers to walking a dog. They said older adults with (8) _____ think about these dangers. The researchers said just one injury could (9) _____ hip fracture. It could (10) _____ complications and lost independence. Researchers blamed a "small (11) _____" scenario for many accidents. Big dogs are often mismatched with weak seniors. An elderly dog owner said (12) _____ dogs.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DOG-WALKING SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about dog-walking 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **dog-walking** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.
