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**Level 0 – 7th December, 2020**

**Dog three times heavier than normal goes on diet**

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

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201207-dog-diet-0.html>

Wolfgang the dog went on a diet. He was three times heavier than normal. This was unhealthy. His owner overfed him and then left him at an animal shelter. A dog lover rescued Wolfgang. She looked at him once and it was love at first sight. She took the overweight dog home and put him on a diet.

Wolfgang is now doing well. He has just 600 calories a day. He swims, walks and exercises every day. His weight is down to 28kgs, from 40kgs. His new owner is very happy. She said: "His personality shines through. He's just such a nice dog. It's so hard to say no to that face." Wolfgang has 37,000 followers on Instagram.

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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201207-dog-diet-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                |                        |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. He was three times          | a. home                |
| 2. His owner                   | b. heavier than normal |
| 3. left him at                 | c. him once            |
| 4. A dog lover                 | d. on a diet           |
| 5. She looked at               | e. an animal shelter   |
| 6. it was love                 | f. overfed him         |
| 7. She took the overweight dog | g. at first sight      |
| 8. put him                     | h. rescued Wolfgang    |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. He has just 600               | a. a nice dog      |
| 2. He swims, walks and exercises | b. calories a day  |
| 3. His weight is                 | c. on Instagram    |
| 4. His new owner is very         | d. down to 28kgs   |
| 5. His personality shines        | e. no to that face |
| 6. He's just such                | f. every day       |
| 7. It's so hard to say           | g. through         |
| 8. Wolfgang has 37,000 followers | h. happy           |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Wolfgang the dog (1) \_\_\_\_\_ diet. He was three (2) \_\_\_\_\_ normal. This was unhealthy. His owner overfed him and then left him at (3) \_\_\_\_\_. A dog lover rescued Wolfgang. She (4) \_\_\_\_\_ once and it was (5) \_\_\_\_\_ sight. She took the overweight dog home and (6) \_\_\_\_\_ a diet.

Wolfgang is (7) \_\_\_\_\_. He has just 600 calories a day. He (8) \_\_\_\_\_ exercises every day. His weight (9) \_\_\_\_\_ 28kgs, from 40kgs. His new owner (10) \_\_\_\_\_. She said: "His personality shines through. He's just (11) \_\_\_\_\_ dog. It's so hard to say no (12) \_\_\_\_\_." Wolfgang has 37,000 followers on Instagram.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201207-dog-diet-0.html>

Wolfgangthedogwentonadiet.Hewasthreetimesheavierthannormal.

Thiswasunhealthy.Hisowneroverfedhimandthenlefthimatananimals

helter.AdogloverrescuedWolfgang.Shelookedathimonceanditwaslo

veatfirstsight.Shetooktheoverweightdoghomeandputhimonadiet.W

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ndexerciseseveryday.Hisweightisdownto28kgs,from40kgs.Hisnew

ownerisveryhappy.Shesaid:"Hispersonalityshinesthrough.He'sjust

suchanicedog.It'ssohardtosaynotothatface."Wolfganghas37,000fol

lowersonInstagram.

# DOG DIETS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201207-dog-diet-0.html>

Write five GOOD questions about dog diets 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

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201207-dog-diet-0.html>

Write about **dog diets** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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