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Level 0

NZ PM in ponytail-pulling problem

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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/1504/150425-ponytail.html>

New Zealand's leader is in trouble. He pulled a waitress' hair many times. She posted this online. She said it started last year. She told him to stop often, but he didn't listen. She could take him to court. A legal expert said Mr Key was "an older white male with a lot of power". He said Ms Bailey was powerless.

Mr Key apologised. He said he was just joking. People think the apology is not enough. A women's rights group said Mr Key broke the law and what he did was illegal. New Zealand's deputy leader said it was unacceptable behaviour. She said Mr Key should know this. An equal rights group said touching people was wrong.

Sources: http://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=11436981
<http://edition.cnn.com/2015/04/22/asia/john-key-new-zealand-hair-pulling/index.html>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. New Zealand's leader is in | a. white male |
| 2. She said it started | b. stop often |
| 3. She told him to | c. trouble |
| 4. She could take him | d. last year |
| 5. A legal | e. of power |
| 6. an older | f. to court |
| 7. a lot | g. powerless |
| 8. Ms Bailey was | h. expert |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Mr Key | a. is not enough |
| 2. He said he was just | b. was illegal |
| 3. People think the apology | c. behaviour |
| 4. A women's rights | d. the law |
| 5. Mr Key broke | e. apologised |
| 6. what he did | f. group |
| 7. it was unacceptable | g. know this |
| 8. She said Mr Key should | h. joking |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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New Zealand's leader (1) _____. He pulled a waitress' hair many times. She (2) _____. She said it (3) _____. She told him to stop often, but he didn't listen. She could (4) _____ court. A (5) _____ said Mr Key was "an older white male with a lot of power". He said Ms Bailey (6) _____.

Mr Key apologised. He said (7) _____. People think the apology (8) _____. A women's rights group said Mr Key (9) _____ and what he did was illegal. New Zealand's (10) _____ said it was (11) _____. She said Mr Key should know this. An equal rights group said touching (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) _____

WRITING

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