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Level 5

New product tests for spiked drinks

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THE READING

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A businessman has created a product for people to test drinks they think might have been drugged. This happens if one person slips drugs into someone's glass. The drinker then loses self-control and is often the victim of rape or theft. The product is called Test Your Drink and was invented by entrepreneur Gary Bates. It is a small kit with six sheets of test paper to dip into your glass to test for drugs that are often used to spike drinks, like Ketamine. Such substances are also known as 'date rape drugs'. They put the drinker into an unconscious state and disrupt their memory.

Drink spiking is now a worldwide problem. It is a lot more common than people think. It is a worry for young women, although up to 20 per cent of victims are men. Studies show that between 10 and 25 per cent of female college students have had a drink that someone spiked. Mr Bates' advice for anyone concerned about these predatory drugs is: "Don't leave your drinks unattended. If you are worried that something might have happened, [the Test Your Drink kit] will give you peace of mind." The product will soon be available online at a price of around \$1.65 per pack.

Sources: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-3606715/The-real-dangers-drink-spiking-Nearly-10-students-claim-fallen-victim-MEN-risk-too.html>
<http://health.usnews.com/health-care/articles/2016-05-24/drink-spiking-a-problem-on-us-campuses>
<http://testyourdrink.com>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. test drinks they think might | a. as 'date rape drugs' |
| 2. The drinker then loses | b. have been drugged |
| 3. the victim of | c. unconscious state |
| 4. It is a small kit with | d. self-control |
| 5. drugs that are often | e. six sheets of test paper |
| 6. Such substances are also known | f. memory |
| 7. put the drinker into an | g. rape or theft |
| 8. disrupt their | h. used to spike drinks |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Drink spiking is now a | a. of victims are men |
| 2. It is a lot more common | b. predatory drugs |
| 3. It is a worry | c. available online |
| 4. up to 20 per cent | d. unattended |
| 5. had a drink that | e. than people think |
| 6. concerned about these | f. for young women |
| 7. Don't leave your drinks | g. someone spiked |
| 8. The product will soon be | h. worldwide problem |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A businessman has created a product (1) _____ test drinks they think might have been drugged. This (2) _____ person slips drugs into someone's glass. The drinker then loses self-control and is (3) _____ rape or theft. The product is called Test Your Drink and was invented (4) _____ Gary Bates. It is a small kit with six sheets of test paper (5) _____ glass to test for drugs that are often used to spike drinks, like Ketamine. (6) _____ are also known as 'date rape drugs'. They put the drinker into an unconscious state and disrupt their memory.

Drink spiking is now a worldwide problem. It is (7) _____ than people think. It (8) _____ young women, although up to 20 per (9) _____ men. Studies show that between 10 and 25 per cent of female college students have had a drink that someone spiked. Mr Bates' (10) _____ concerned about these predatory drugs is: "Don't leave your (11) _____. If you are worried that something might have happened, [the Test Your Drink kit] will give you peace of mind." The product will (12) _____ online at a price of around \$1.65 per pack.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DRINK SPIKING SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160527-drink-spiking-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about drink spiking 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) _____

