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Level 2

Google will check to see if you are depressed

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Google will soon start a service to let people check their mental health online. People searching for "depression" on Google will get a link to a questionnaire with their search result. The questionnaire will check to see if you could have depression. There are nine questions on the questionnaire. Google has partnered with America's National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) on the project. NAMI said the questionnaire can help people find out how depressed they are. It said this could help them decide if they need a doctor. The questionnaire is initially only for people in the USA.

Google said the questionnaire could help people get treatment for depression quickly. It said: "Statistics show that those who have symptoms of depression experience...a six- to eight-year delay in getting treatment...We believe that awareness of depression can help...educate you, enabling quicker access to treatment." However, Dr Aaron Balick said Google's questionnaire was the same as reading any online information about depression. He told the BBC: "A better approach would be...offering [people] resources and a direct line - perhaps a chat box - to local psychological services."

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/technology-41034618>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Google will soon | a. the questionnaire |
| 2. check their mental | b. a questionnaire |
| 3. get a link to | c. a doctor |
| 4. search | d. health online |
| 5. check to see if you could have | e. in the USA |
| 6. There are nine questions on | f. start a service |
| 7. decide if they need | g. depression |
| 8. initially only for people | h. result |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. get treatment | a. to treatment |
| 2. a six- to eight-year delay | b. box |
| 3. enabling quicker access | c. approach |
| 4. the same as reading any online | d. services |
| 5. A better | e. in getting treatment |
| 6. a direct | f. information |
| 7. a chat | g. for depression |
| 8. psychological | h. line |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Google said the questionnaire (7) _____ get treatment for depression quickly. It said: "Statistics show that those who have (8) _____ experience...a six- to eight-year (9) _____ treatment....We believe that awareness of depression can (10) _____, enabling quicker access to treatment." However, Dr Aaron Balick said Google's questionnaire was the (11) _____ any online information about depression. He told the BBC: "A better approach would be...offering [people] resources and a direct line - (12) _____ box - to local psychological services."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DEPRESSION SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1708/170826-depression-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about depression 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) _____

