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**Level 0** – 13th January, 2022

## Man gets first ever pig-heart transplant

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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/2201/220113-pig-heart-transplant-0.html>

Doctors put a pig's heart into a man for the first time. The man is 57. He was very ill. The pig's heart was the only way he could stay alive. He is now doing well. He said: "It was either die or do this transplant. I want to live." Scientists changed the pig's genes so its heart would work in a human.

The transplant took seven hours. There could be more transplants like this in the future. It could mean more organs are available. The man's doctor said animal organs give people an important choice in the future. The man hopes he will live longer. He said: "I look forward to getting out of bed after I recover."

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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                 |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. for the first                | a. a human          |
| 2. He was very                  | b. could stay alive |
| 3. the only way he              | c. this transplant  |
| 4. He is now doing              | d. genes            |
| 5. It was either die or do      | e. time             |
| 6. I want to                    | f. ill              |
| 7. Scientists changed the pig's | g. live             |
| 8. its heart would work in      | h. well             |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                    |                |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. The transplant took             | a. future      |
| 2. There could be more transplants | b. choice      |
| 3. in the                          | c. available   |
| 4. It could mean more organs are   | d. out of bed  |
| 5. animal                          | e. seven hours |
| 6. give people an important        | f. live longer |
| 7. The man hopes he will           | g. like this   |
| 8. I look forward to getting       | h. organs      |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2201/220113-pig-heart-transplant-0.html>

Doctors (1) \_\_\_\_\_ heart into a man for the first time. The man is 57. He (2) \_\_\_\_\_. The pig's heart was (3) \_\_\_\_\_ he could stay alive. He is (4) \_\_\_\_\_. He said: "It was either die or do this transplant. I (5) \_\_\_\_\_." Scientists changed the pig's genes so its heart (6) \_\_\_\_\_ a human.

The transplant (7) \_\_\_\_\_. There could be more transplants (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the future. It could mean (9) \_\_\_\_\_ available. The man's doctor said animal organs (10) \_\_\_\_\_ important choice in the future. The man (11) \_\_\_\_\_ live longer. He said: "I look forward to getting out of bed (12) \_\_\_\_\_."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# HEART TRANSPLANTS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2201/220113-pig-heart-transplant-0.html>

Write five GOOD questions about heart transplants 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/2201/220113-pig-heart-transplant-0.html>

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

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