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## **Level 6**

### **Google to launch wearable health monitor**

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# THE ARTICLE

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An industry insider revealed what Google Fit might look like. They said it would be a wearable device that measures bio-rhythmic data like the number of steps someone walks or runs, or heart rate. This information will be linked with Google's cloud-based services. The company is trying to keep further details of the final product under wraps. The TechCrunch website wrote: "From what we're hearing, Google Fit will track all sorts of health data, such as weight, heart rate, run times, body-building stats and more." It added: "End users will be able to sync their Google Fit profiles to their Google IDs, which will make their data portable no matter what app or device they're using."

Sources: <http://www.techtimes.com/articles/8518/20140615/google-fit-answer-apple-healthkit-fitness-battle.htm>  
<http://www.redorbit.com/news/technology/1113170165/google-fit-may-be-unveiled-soon-061514/#DA5zVIJWAgTOOc3E.99>

# WARM-UPS

**1. HEALTH DEVICES:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about health devices. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

*playing catch-up / race / market leader / rival / overtime / consumers / fitness / industry / bio-rhythmic data / heart rate / body building / profiles / portable*

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. WEARABLE TECH:** What do you think of these wearable devices? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Pros	Cons
Health checker		
TV watch		
60kph roller shoes		
Internet T-shirt		
Air-con / heater shirt		
Coffee-maker jacket		

**4. HEALTH CHECKER:** Students A **strongly** believe wearable health checkers will save lives; Students B **strongly** believe they won't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**5. HEALTH DATA:** Rank these with your partner. Put the things you most want to know at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- heart rate
- stress levels
- body fat
- liver health
- weight
- blood pressure
- teeth condition
- body odour level

**6. RIVAL:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "rival". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

**1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- |   |       |
|---|-------|
| a. The article says Google is trying to catch up with Nokia and Yahoo.    | T / F |
| b. Google's new wearable health device is called Google fit.              | T / F |
| c. The company is making all of its workers do 3 hours a day overtime.    | T / F |
| d. This is Google's first attempt at marketing a health product.          | T / F |
| e. An industry insider speculated on what the device might be able to do. | T / F |
| f. Google will provide wraps under the packaging for the device.          | T / F |
| g. The device could be useful for bodybuilders.                           | T / F |
| h. The device will be especially useful for anyone with a Google account. | T / F |

**2. SYNONYM MATCH:** Match the following synonyms from the article.

- |                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. market          | a. divulged       |
| 2. rival           | b. bring out      |
| 3. launch          | c. fans           |
| 4. provide         | d. secret         |
| 5. enthusiasts     | e. additional     |
| 6. revealed        | f. compete with   |
| 7. linked          | g. industry       |
| 8. further         | h. regardless     |
| 9. under wraps     | i. connected      |
| 10. no matter what | j. make available |

**3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- |  |                         |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. in the race to                            | a. working overtime     |
| 2. tech                                      | b. health buffs         |
| 3. the company is                            | c. under wraps          |
| 4. This is Google's second foray             | d. insider              |
| 5. fitness enthusiasts and                   | e. giant                |
| 6. An industry                               | f. steps someone walks  |
| 7. the number of                             | g. be market leader     |
| 8. linked with Google's                      | h. app or device        |
| 9. keep further details of the final product | i. into this market     |
| 10. no matter what                           | j. cloud-based services |

# GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

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*foray*  
*behind*  
*gain*  
*rival*  
*enthusiasts*  
*catch-up*  
*overtime*  
*operating*

An industry insider (9) \_\_\_\_\_ what Google Fit might look like. They said it would be a wearable device that (10) \_\_\_\_\_ bio-rhythmic data like the number of (11) \_\_\_\_\_ someone walks or runs, or heart rate. This information will be linked with Google's cloud-based (12) \_\_\_\_\_. The company is trying to keep further details of the final product under (13) \_\_\_\_\_. The TechCrunch website wrote: "From what we're hearing, Google Fit will track all (14) \_\_\_\_\_ of health data, such as weight, heart rate, run times, body-building stats and more." It added: "End users will be able to (15) \_\_\_\_\_ their Google Fit profiles to their Google IDs, which will make their data (16) \_\_\_\_\_ no matter what app or device they're using."

*sorts*  
*services*  
*portable*  
*revealed*  
*wraps*  
*measures*  
*sync*  
*steps*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ market leader in wearable health software
  - a. the lace to be
  - b. the race to be
  - c. the race too be
  - d. the race to beat
- 2) The tech giant is working on a device called Google Fit \_\_\_\_\_ HealthKit
  - a. to rivalry Apple's
  - b. to libel Apple's
  - c. to rival Apple's
  - d. to livery Apple's
- 3) Sources say the company is working overtime to \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. launch its produce
  - b. launch its products
  - c. launch its production
  - d. launch its product
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ be the first company to provide a device using the Android \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. operate in system
  - b. operating system
  - c. operational system
  - d. operating system
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ the kind of information fitness enthusiasts and health \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. buffs were before
  - b. buffs were afters
  - c. buffs were after
  - d. buffs were afterwards
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_ revealed what Google Fit might look like
  - a. An industry inside
  - b. An industrial insider
  - c. An industry insiders
  - d. An industry insider
- 7) This information will be linked with Google's \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. cloud-basted services
  - b. cloud-based services
  - c. cloudy-based services
  - d. cloud-baste services
- 8) The company is trying to keep further details of the final product \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. under wraps
  - b. under laps
  - c. under raps
  - d. under leaps
- 9) health data, such as weight, heart rate, run times, body-building \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. stats and more
  - b. slats and more
  - c. spats and more
  - d. scats and more
- 10) End users will be able \_\_\_\_\_ Google Fit profiles
  - a. to sink their
  - b. to sync their
  - c. to stink their
  - d. to think their

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

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# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

1. What is Google in a race to be?

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2. What is the name of Apple's product?

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3. What is Google doing to launch its product quickly?

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4. How many times has Google tried to market a health product before?

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5. What people were mentioned alongside fitness enthusiasts?

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6. Who revealed what Google's new product might look like?

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7. What kind of data will the device measure?

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8. What is Google trying to keep the device under?

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9. What website revealed more details about Google's device?

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10. What will end users sync their profiles to?

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# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

1. What is Google in a race to be?
  - a) wearable
  - b) market leader
  - c) a medicine company
  - d) a health provider
2. What is the name of Apple's product?
  - a) iHealth
  - b) iDoctor
  - c) An Apple A Day
  - d) HealthKit
3. What is Google doing to launch its product quickly?
  - a) crowdsourcing
  - b) using a marketing company
  - c) working overtime
  - d) hiring more staff
4. How many times has Google tried to market a health product before?
  - a) once
  - b) twice
  - c) never
  - d) three times
5. What people were mentioned alongside fitness enthusiasts?
  - a) software programmers
  - b) health buffs
  - c) computer geeks
  - d) CEOs
6. Who revealed what Google's new product might look like?
  - a) an industry insider
  - b) Google
  - c) Apple
  - d) CNN
7. What kind of data will the device measure?
  - a) confidential data
  - b) encrypted data
  - c) bio-rhythmic data
  - d) useful data
8. What is Google trying to keep the device under?
  - a) wraps
  - b) \$100
  - c) guard
  - d) 100g
9. What website revealed more details about Google's device?
  - a) TechCrunchy
  - b) CrunchTech
  - c) CrunchyTech
  - d) TechCrunch
10. What will end users sync their profiles to?
  - a) online groups
  - b) their blood type
  - c) Google IDs
  - d) hospital servers

# ROLE PLAY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

## **Role A – Heart rate**

You think heart rate is the most important health data to know about. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so useful about their data. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): stress level, body fat or body odour.

## **Role B – Stress level**

You think stress level is the most important health data to know about. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so useful about their data. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): heart rate, body fat or body odour.

## **Role C – Body fat**

You think body fat is the most important health data to know about. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so useful about their data. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): stress level, heart rate or body odour.

## **Role D – Body odour level**

You think body odour is the most important health data to know about. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so useful about their data. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): stress level, body fat or heart rate.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'health' and 'device'.

health	device

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• race</li><li>• giant</li><li>• launch</li><li>• system</li><li>• first</li><li>• after</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• might</li><li>• number</li><li>• keep</li><li>• sorts</li><li>• sync</li><li>• matter</li></ul>
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# HEALTH DEVICES SURVEY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

Write five GOOD questions about health devices 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.

# HEALTH DEVICES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'health'?
- c) How often do you check your health?
- d) What do you think of the idea of wearable health monitors?
- e) What are the good things about wearable devices?
- f) Could these devices make us worry too much?
- g) Will you be buying one of these products?
- h) Would you choose a product by Google, Apple or Samsung?
- i) What health info would you want?
- j) How often should people have a health check-up?

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# HEALTH DEVICES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) How healthy are you?
- c) What are the most important things to check?
- d) Will these devices mean people visit hospitals more often?
- e) Is it better not to find out health data on a daily basis?
- f) How much of a lifesaver do you think these devices could be?
- g) Do you think older people should wear a health monitor?
- h) Would you buy one of these devices for someone you love?
- i) How reliable do you think the data from these devices are?
- j) What questions would you like to ask the Google Fit inventor?

# DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

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# DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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## Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- |     |                  |              |              |              |
|-----|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1.  | (a) for          | (b) to       | (c) at       | (d) by       |
| 2.  | (a) monster      | (b) giant    | (c) ogre     | (d) creature |
| 3.  | (a) libel        | (b) reveal   | (c) rivalry  | (d) rival    |
| 4.  | (a) ahead        | (b) behind   | (c) past     | (d) back     |
| 5.  | (a) fray         | (b) foray    | (c) parlay   | (d) play     |
| 6.  | (a) past         | (b) before   | (c) after    | (d) later    |
| 7.  | (a) outsider     | (b) mover    | (c) insider  | (d) shaker   |
| 8.  | (a) tallied      | (b) tailored | (c) linked   | (d) looked   |
| 9.  | (a) additionally | (b) farther  | (c) addition | (d) further  |
| 10. | (a) track        | (b) field    | (c) groove   | (d) path     |
| 11. | (a) users        | (b) usages   | (c) uses     | (d) us       |
| 12. | (a) stuff        | (b) material | (c) matter   | (d) weight   |

# SPELLING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

## Paragraph 1

1. working on a ecveid called Google Fit
2. working overtime to uhalcn its product
3. the Android irotnapeg system
4. Google's second royfa into this market
5. ... did not gain rttocnai with consumers
6. fitness insahsetstu

## Paragraph 2

7. reeevdal what Google Fit might look like
8. a wearable device that reassuem ...
9. bio-hmhtricy data
10. further sditela of the final product
11. sync their Google Fit sepirlfo
12. make their data laretobp



# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

**Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) Google is playing catch-up to Apple and Samsung in the race to be market leader in wearable
- ( ) Apple's HealthKit and Samsung's Galaxy Gear 2 and the Galaxy Gear Fit. Sources say the company is working
- ( ) rhythmic data like the number of steps someone walks or runs, or heart rate. This information will be
- ( ) as it did not offer the kind of information fitness enthusiasts and health buffs were after.
- ( ) sorts of health data, such as weight, heart rate, run times, body-building
- ( ) wraps. The TechCrunch website wrote: "From what we're hearing, Google Fit will track all
- ( ) foray into this market. The first product was called Google Health, which did not gain traction with consumers
- ( ) An industry insider revealed what Google Fit might look like. They said it would be a wearable device that measures bio-
- ( **1** ) IDs, which will make their data portable no matter what app or device they're using."
- ( ) provide a device using the Android operating system. This is Google's second
- ( ) overtime to launch its product so it is not left behind. Google is hoping to be the first company to
- ( ) health software. The tech giant is working on a device called Google Fit to rival
- ( ) stats and more." It added: "End users will be able to sync their Google Fit profiles to their Google
- ( ) linked with Google's cloud-based services. The company is trying to keep further details of the final product under

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

1. wearable health software The race to be market leader in.

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2. on tech a giant device is working The.

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3. is to product company overtime its The working launch.

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4. Google's market second foray This into is this.

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5. with Health traction Google gain not consumers did.

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6. insider Fit like industry what look An revealed might.

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7. device bio data wearable measures rhythmic A that - .

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8. information will be linked with cloud - based services This.

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9. track data all sorts Fit of will health.

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10. device matter they're what using app or No.

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# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

Google is playing catch-up to Apple and Samsung in the *relay / race* to be market leader in wearable health software. The *techie / tech* giant is working on a device called Google Fit to *rival / rivalry* Apple's HealthKit and Samsung's Galaxy Gear 2 and the Galaxy Gear Fit. *Sources / Sauces* say the company is working overtime to launch its product *so / as* it is not left behind. Google is *hoping / wishing* to be the first company to provide a device using the Android *operating / operations* system. This is Google's second *fray / foray* into this market. The first product was called Google Health, which did not gain *traction / friction* with consumers as it did not offer the kind of information fitness enthusiasts and health *buffers / buffs* were after.

An industry *outsider / insider* revealed what Google Fit might look like. They said it would be a wearable device that *measures / measurements* bio-rhythmic data *like / link* the number of steps someone walks or runs, or heart rate. This information will be *linked / likened* with Google's cloud-based services. The company is trying to keep *farther / further* details of the final product under *wraps / warps*. The TechCrunch website wrote: "From what we're hearing, Google Fit will track *all / every* sorts of health data, such as weight, heart rate, *run / ran* times, body-building stats and more." It added: "End users will be able to *synth / sync* their Google Fit profiles to their Google IDs, which will make their data *potable / portable* no matter what app or device they're using."

**Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.**

# INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

G\_\_gl\_ \_\_s pl\_y\_ng c\_tch-\_p t\_ \_\_ppl\_ \_\_nd S\_ms\_ng \_n  
th\_ r\_c\_ t\_ b\_ m\_rk\_t l\_\_d\_r \_n w\_\_r\_bl\_ h\_\_lth  
s\_ftw\_r\_. Th\_ t\_ch g\_\_nt \_s w\_rk\_ng \_n \_d\_v\_c\_  
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# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

google is playing catch-up to apple and samsung in the race to be market leader in wearable health software the tech giant is working on a device called google fit to rival apple's healthkit and samsung's galaxy gear 2 and the galaxy gear fit sources say the company is working overtime to launch its product so it is not left behind google is hoping to be the first company to provide a device using the android operating system this is google's second foray into this market the first product was called google health which did not gain traction with consumers as it did not offer the kind of information fitness enthusiasts and health buffs were after

an industry insider revealed what google fit might look like they said it would be a wearable device that measures bio-rhythmic data like the number of steps someone walks or runs or heart rate this information will be linked with google's cloud-based services the company is trying to keep further details of the final product under wraps the techcrunch website wrote "from what we're hearing google fit will track all sorts of health data such as weight heart rate run times body-building stats and more" it added "end users will be able to sync their google fit profiles to their google ids which will make their data portable no matter what app or device they're using"

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Google is playing catch-up to Apple and Samsung in the race to become market leader in wearable health software. The tech giant is working on a device called Google Fit to rival Apple's Health Kit and Samsung's Galaxy Gear 2 and the Galaxy Gear Fit. Sources say the company is working overtime to launch its products so it is not left behind. Google is hoping to be the first company to provide a device using the Android operating system. This is Google's second foray into this market. The first product was called Google Health, which did not gain traction with consumers as it did not offer the kind of information fitness enthusiasts and health buffs were after. An industry insider revealed what Google Fit might look like. They said it would be a wearable device that measures biometric data like the number of steps someone walks or runs, or heart rate. This information will be linked with Google's cloud-based services. The company is trying to keep further details of the final product under wraps. The TechCrunch website wrote: "From what we're hearing, Google Fit will track all sorts of health data, such as weight, heart rate, run times, body-building stats and more." It added: "End users will be able to sync their Google Fit profiles to their Google IDs, which will make their data portable no matter what app or device they're using."



# **ACADEMIC WRITING**

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1406/140618-wearable-health-device.html>

Compare and contrast a wearable health device and a health check at a hospital.  
Which is better? Why do you think so?

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# HOMework

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find out more about Google's health device. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. HEALTH DEVICES:** Make a poster about health devices. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. GOOGLE FIT:** Write a magazine article about Google Fit. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against it.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to a health expert. Ask him/her three questions about health devices. Give him/her three of your opinions on them. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F    b T    c F    d F    e T    f F    g T    h T

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. market          | a. industry       |
| 2. rival           | b. compete with   |
| 3. launch          | c. bring out      |
| 4. provide         | d. make available |
| 5. enthusiasts     | e. fans           |
| 6. revealed        | f. divulged       |
| 7. linked          | g. connected      |
| 8. further         | h. additional     |
| 9. under wraps     | i. secret         |
| 10. no matter what | j. regardless     |

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Market leader
2. HealthKit
3. Working overtime
4. Once
5. Health buffs
6. An industry insider
7. Bio-rhythmic data
8. Wraps
9. TechCrunch
10. Their Google IDs

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. b    2. d    3. c    4. a    5. b    6. a    7. c    8. a    9. d    10. c

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.  
(It's good for your English ;-)