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Level 0

House dust could make us fat

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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House dust can make us fat. Scientists say we should keep our house clean. The scientists did research on mice. They found that house dust made the mice fatter. The dust changed the hormones in the mice and made them fatter. Even small amounts of dust made the mice fatter. We breathe in and swallow a lot of dust.

Dust has chemicals called EDCs. They are in sofas, carpets, cosmetics, food packaging and cleaners. EDCs are in most houses. They can be bad for our health. Children are at most risk. EDCs can lead to learning problems. They can also increase the risk of cancer. The researchers say we need to look at the safety of EDCs.

Sources: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/07/12/household-dust-makes-people-fat-groundbreaking-research-indicates/>
<http://www.genengnews.com/gen-news-highlights/obesity-may-arise-in-part-from-household-dust/81254642>
<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/318379.php>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Scientists say we should keep | a. amounts of dust |
| 2. The scientists did | b. a lot of dust |
| 3. house dust made the | c. our house clean |
| 4. The dust changed the | d. in |
| 5. made them | e. research on mice |
| 6. Even small | f. hormones in the mice |
| 7. breathe | g. fatter |
| 8. swallow | h. mice fatter |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Dust has chemicals | a. in most houses |
| 2. food | b. safety of EDCs |
| 3. EDCs are | c. packaging |
| 4. They can be bad | d. problems |
| 5. Children are at | e. called EDCs |
| 6. EDCs can lead to learning | f. most risk |
| 7. They can also increase the risk | g. for our health |
| 8. we need to look at the | h. of cancer |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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House dust (1) _____ fat. Scientists say we should (2) _____ clean. The scientists did (3) _____. They found that house dust made the mice fatter. The dust changed the (4) _____ the mice and made them fatter. Even (5) _____ dust made the mice fatter. We breathe in and (6) _____ dust.

Dust has chemicals called EDCs. (7) _____ sofas, carpets, cosmetics, food (8) _____ cleaners. EDCs (9) _____ houses. They can be bad for our health. Children (10) _____ risk. EDCs can lead to learning problems. They (11) _____ the risk of cancer. The researchers say we (12) _____ the safety of EDCs.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOUSE DUST SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about house dust 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) _____

