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Level 2 – 11th May 2023

Animal testing for cosmetics to restart in U.K.

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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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The UK will allow cosmetics to be tested on animals for the first time in 25 years. Since 1998, testing on animals was OK if there were benefits for humans. Scientists could test chemicals on animals to make new medicines. Judges at a court in London followed European Union laws on using chemicals in animal testing. One chemical that can be tested on animals is already used a lot. It is in sunscreen, foundation and skincare products. The UK government said it was "committed to the protection of animals in science".

Many people are angry with the decision. Many cosmetics companies are unhappy. A group of over 80 cosmetics brands wrote a letter to the UK government. It said the new law was shocking. A spokesperson for the Body Shop said: "Allowing animal testing for cosmetics would be a [horrible] blow to the millions of people who have supported campaigns to end this [terrible] practice." A scientist at one of the world's largest cosmetics companies said animal testing was unnecessary because of the technology we have today.

Sources: <https://www.iflscience.com/uk-government-to-allow-animal-testing-for-cosmetics-after-25-year-ban-68801>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-65484552>
<https://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/1766972/Outrage-animal-tests-makeup-resume-25-year-ban>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. allow cosmetics to | a. for humans |
| 2. for the first | b. skincare products |
| 3. OK if there were benefits | c. time in 25 years |
| 4. make new | d. in London |
| 5. Judges at a court | e. in animal testing |
| 6. laws on using chemicals | f. be tested on animals |
| 7. foundation and | g. in science |
| 8. the protection of animals | h. medicines |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Many people are angry | a. of people |
| 2. A group of over 80 | b. we have today |
| 3. the new law was | c. blow |
| 4. a horrible | d. was unnecessary |
| 5. millions | e. cosmetics brands |
| 6. campaigns to end this | f. shocking |
| 7. animal testing | g. terrible practice |
| 8. because of the technology | h. with the decision |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK will allow cosmetics to (1) _____ animals for the first time in 25 years. Since 1998, testing on animals was OK if (2) _____ for humans. Scientists could test chemicals on animals to (3) _____. Judges at a court in London followed European Union laws on using chemicals in animal testing. One chemical (4) _____ tested on animals is already used a lot. It (5) _____, foundation and skincare products. The UK government said it was "committed to the (6) _____ in science".

Many people (7) _____ the decision. Many cosmetics companies are unhappy. A group of over 80 cosmetics (8) _____ letter to the UK government. It said the new law was shocking. A spokesperson for the Body Shop said: "Allowing (9) _____ cosmetics would be a [horrible] blow to (10) _____ people who have supported campaigns (11) _____ [terrible] practice." A scientist at one of the world's largest cosmetics companies said animal testing was unnecessary because of the technology (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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alsinanimaltesting. Onechemicalthatcanbetestedonanimalsisalread
yusedalot. Itisinsunscreen, foundationandskincareproducts. TheUKg
overnmentsaiditwas"committedtotheprotectionofanimalsinscience
". Manypeopleareangrywiththedecision. Manycosmeticscompaniesa
reunhappy. Agroupofover80cosmeticsbrandswrotealettertotheUKg
overnment. Itsaidthenewlawwasshocking. A spokespersonfortheBod
yShopsaid:"Allowinganimaltestingforcosmeticswouldbea[horrible]
blowtothemillionsofpeoplewhohavesupportedcampaignstoendthis[
terrible]practice." A scientistatoneoftheworld'slargestcosmeticscom
paniessaidanimaltestingwasunnecessarybecauseofthetechnologyw
ehavetoday.

COSMETICS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about cosmetics 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) _____

