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Lipsticks found to contain lead

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

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America's Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has found lead in 400 different types of lipstick on sale in the USA. All of the lipsticks tested were within safe limits but the levels of lead were higher than expected. The FDA tested top brands including L'Oreal and Proctor and Gamble. L'Oreal's Sensational Pink Petal lipstick was top of the list of those containing lead. It had 7.19 parts of lead per million. L'Oreal produced five of the 10 lipsticks with the highest lead levels.

Too much lead in the body can lead to health problems. These include kidney damage, lower IQ, and behavioural and attention problems. Pregnant women and young children are most at risk. A L'Oreal spokeswoman said people do not need to worry about the safety of the company's products. "L'Oreal maintains the highest standards for safety and consumers can use all of our products with complete confidence," she said. All L'Oreal products follow FDA and European safety guidelines.

PHRASE MATCH

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Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. 400 different types | a. the list |
| 2. within safe | b. than expected |
| 3. levels of lead were higher | c. million |
| 4. top of | d. of lipstick |
| 5. 7.19 parts of lead per | e. lead levels |
| 6. lipsticks with the highest | f. limits |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Too much lead | a. attention problems |
| 2. health | b. risk |
| 3. behavioural and | c. to worry |
| 4. most at | d. in the body |
| 5. do not need | e. complete confidence |
| 6. use all of our products with | f. problems |

LISTENING GAP FILL

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400 different types of lipstick on sale in the USA. All of the
lipsticks tested were _____ but the levels of lead were
higher than expected. The FDA tested _____ including
L'Oreal and Proctor and Gamble. L'Oreal's Sensational Pink Petal
lipstick was _____ of those _____. It had
7.19 parts of lead per million. L'Oreal produced five of the 10
lipsticks with the _____.

Too _____ the body can lead to health problems.
These include kidney damage, _____, and behavioural
and attention problems. Pregnant women and young children are
_____. A L'Oreal spokeswoman said people do not
_____ about the safety of the company's products.
"L'Oreal maintains the _____ for safety and
consumers can use all of our products with complete confidence,"
she said. All L'Oreal _____ FDA and European safety
guidelines.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

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America's Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (1) _____ found lead in 400 different types of lipstick on sale in the USA. (2) _____ of the lipsticks tested were within (3) _____ limits but the levels of lead were higher than expected. The FDA tested top brands (4) _____ L'Oreal and Proctor and Gamble. L'Oreal's Sensational Pink Petal lipstick was top of the list of (5) _____ containing lead. It had 7.19 parts of lead per million. L'Oreal produced five of the 10 lipsticks with the (6) _____ lead levels.

Too (7) _____ lead in the body can lead to health problems. These include kidney damage, lower (8) _____, and behavioural and attention problems. Pregnant women and young children are most (9) _____ risk. A L'Oreal spokeswoman said people do not need (10) _____ worry about the safety of the company's products. "L'Oreal maintains the highest standards for safety and consumers can use all of our products with (11) _____ confidence," she said. All L'Oreal products (12) _____ FDA and European safety guidelines.

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | |
|-----|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) had | (b) having | (c) has |
| 2. | (a) Every | (b) All | (c) Whole |
| 3. | (a) close | (b) safe | (c) give |
| 4. | (a) included | (b) includes | (c) including |
| 5. | (a) those | (b) them | (c) they |
| 6. | (a) height | (b) highs | (c) highest |
| 7. | (a) much | (b) many | (c) more |
| 8. | (a) BBQ | (b) IQ | (c) HQ |
| 9. | (a) as | (b) at | (c) at |
| 10. | (a) by | (b) to | (c) of |
| 11. | (a) complete | (b) compete | (c) compost |
| 12. | (a) follow | (b) chase | (c) stalk |

SPELLING

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Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. 400 different estpy
2. within safe tsimil
3. higher than dexcept
4. top nabsrd
5. those tagnniocni lead
6. L'Oreal europcdd five

Paragraph 2

7. lead to health roepmbsl
8. kidney emgaad
9. nteaPnrg women
10. worry about the aefyts
11. the highest dstnaards
12. leugieinds

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () of lipstick on sale in the USA. All of the lipsticks tested were within safe limits but the levels of
- () confidence,” she said. All L’Oreal products follow FDA and European safety guidelines.
- () of the list of those containing lead. It had 7.19 parts of lead per million. L’Oreal produced
- () at risk. A L’Oreal spokeswoman said people do not need to worry about the
- () damage, lower IQ, and behavioural and attention problems. Pregnant women and young children are most
- () lead were higher than expected. The FDA tested top brands including
- () five of the 10 lipsticks with the highest lead levels.
- () safety of the company’s products. “L’Oreal maintains the highest standards for
- () L’Oreal and Proctor and Gamble. L’Oreal’s Sensational Pink Petal lipstick was top
- (**1**) America’s Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has found lead in 400 different types
- () Too much lead in the body can lead to health problems. These include kidney
- () safety and consumers can use all of our products with complete

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With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. on lipstick of types different 400 sale.

2. limits of tested safe All lipsticks within the were.

3. than of expected lead were The higher levels.

4. the lead list of Top those of containing.

5. The highest 10 lead lipsticks levels with the.

6. lead problems in can health Lead body to the.

7. Women most and at young risk children are.

8. safety do to the People need about not worry.

9. The safety for standards highest.

10. Use with all complete of confidence our products.

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. _____

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. LIPSTICK: Search the Internet and find more information about lipstick. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about lipstick. Include an imaginary interview with a lipstick maker. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. 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.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to a lipstick expert. Ask him/her three questions about lipstick. Give him/her three of your opinions on it. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Your partner will answer the questions you asked.