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## Kate Middleton collapses after U.S. tour

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# THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

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The Duchess of Cambridge (Kate Middleton) has collapsed during her tour of North America. Doctors immediately ordered her to take a long rest and get plenty of sleep. The newly-married British royal was at the end of an 11-day tour of Canada and the USA. She was very busy and her daily schedule was full of appointments. Kate said she thought the trip was very tiring. It was her first official overseas trip with her husband Prince William. When she returned to Britain, she cancelled her official duties so that she could get some much needed rest.

Media reports say Britain's royal family is now worried about Kate's health. The Duchess lost a lot of weight before she got married in April and has lost a lot more since then. Her weight is now a topic for many British tabloids, who say she is a size zero. There are concerns that she may be too thin to have a baby. Britain's Daily Star said it was medically possible that "she will have extreme difficulty getting pregnant". One reporter said: "Kate's got to relax and start eating properly because her next royal duty is to produce a son and heir."

# PHRASE MATCH

From: [http://www.NewsEnglishLessons.com/1107/110726-kate\\_middleton.html](http://www.NewsEnglishLessons.com/1107/110726-kate_middleton.html)

**Match the following phrases from the article.**

## Paragraph 1

- |                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. collapsed during her tour | a. rest                 |
| 2. take a long               | b. full of appointments |
| 3. get plenty                | c. 11-day tour          |
| 4. at the end of an          | d. of sleep             |
| 5. her daily schedule was    | e. trip                 |
| 6. overseas                  | f. of North America     |

## Paragraph 2

- |                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. worried about                     | a. have a baby    |
| 2. lost a lot                        | b. tabloids       |
| 3. a topic for many British          | c. a son and heir |
| 4. she may be too thin to            | d. Kate's health  |
| 5. difficulty getting                | e. of weight      |
| 6. her next royal duty is to produce | f. pregnant       |

# LISTENING GAP FILL

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Media reports say Britain's royal family \_\_\_\_\_ Kate's health. The Duchess \_\_\_\_\_ weight before she got married in April and has lost a lot \_\_\_\_\_. Her weight is now a topic for many British tabloids, who say she \_\_\_\_\_. There are concerns that she may be too thin to have a baby. Britain's Daily Star said it was medically possible that "she will have extreme difficulty \_\_\_\_\_. One reporter said: "Kate's got to relax and start eating properly because her \_\_\_\_\_ is to produce a son and heir."

# MULTIPLE CHOICE

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The Duchess of Cambridge (Kate Middleton) has (1) \_\_\_\_\_ during her tour of North America. Doctors (2) \_\_\_\_\_ ordered her to take a long rest and get plenty of sleep. The (3) \_\_\_\_\_-married British royal was at the end of an 11-day tour of Canada and the USA. She was very busy and her daily schedule was full of (4) \_\_\_\_\_. Kate said she thought the trip was very tiring. It was her first official (5) \_\_\_\_\_ trip with her husband Prince William. When she returned to Britain, she cancelled her official duties so that she could get some (6) \_\_\_\_\_ needed rest.

Media reports say Britain's (7) \_\_\_\_\_ family is now worried about Kate's health. The Duchess lost a lot of weight before she got married in April and has lost a lot more (8) \_\_\_\_\_ then. Her weight is now a topic for many British tabloids, who say she is a size zero. (9) \_\_\_\_\_ are concerns that she may be too thin to (10) \_\_\_\_\_ a baby. Britain's Daily Star said it was medically possible that "she will have extreme difficulty (11) \_\_\_\_\_ pregnant". One reporter said: "Kate's got to relax and start eating properly because her next royal duty is to produce a son and (12) \_\_\_\_\_."

## Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- |     |                 |                  |                 |
|-----|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1.  | (a) collapsed   | (b) collapsing   | (c) collapse    |
| 2.  | (a) right now   | (b) quick        | (c) immediately |
| 3.  | (a) new         | (b) newly        | (c) newish      |
| 4.  | (a) appointment | (b) appointments | (c) appointed   |
| 5.  | (a) overseas    | (b) oceans       | (c) marine      |
| 6.  | (a) many        | (b) more         | (c) much        |
| 7.  | (a) royal       | (b) royalty      | (c) royals      |
| 8.  | (a) for         | (b) since        | (c) to          |
| 9.  | (a) They        | (b) Their        | (c) There       |
| 10. | (a) do          | (b) born         | (c) have        |
| 11. | (a) getting     | (b) having       | (c) doing       |
| 12. | (a) air         | (b) heir         | (c) hair        |

# SPELLING

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**Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.**

## Paragraph 1

1. gnuird her tour of North America
2. get eynplt of sleep
3. daily dcueslhe
4. eaeovrss trip
5. she edlccelna her official duties
6. much eeendd rest

## Paragraph 2

7. worried about Kate's hthale
8. lost a lot of eigwth
9. British dtlbasoi
10. There are nscnroec
11. difficulty getting natgnepr
12. decruop a son and heir

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From: [http://www.NewsEnglishLessons.com/1107/110726-kate\\_middleton.html](http://www.NewsEnglishLessons.com/1107/110726-kate_middleton.html)

## Number these lines in the correct order.

- ( **1** ) The Duchess of Cambridge (Kate Middleton) has collapsed during her tour of North America. Doctors immediately
- ( ) duties so that she could get some much needed rest.
- ( ) tabloids, who say she is a size zero. There are concerns that she may be too thin to have a
- ( ) ordered her to take a long rest and get plenty of sleep. The newly-married British royal was at the end of
- ( ) baby. Britain's Daily Star said it was medically possible that "she will have extreme difficulty getting
- ( ) pregnant". One reporter said: "Kate's got to relax and start eating
- ( ) Media reports say Britain's royal family is now worried about Kate's health. The Duchess lost a lot of
- ( ) weight before she got married in April and has lost a lot more since then. Her weight is now a topic for many British
- ( ) trip with her husband Prince William. When she returned to Britain, she cancelled her official
- ( ) properly because her next royal duty is to produce a son and heir."
- ( ) appointments. Kate said she thought the trip was very tiring. It was her first official overseas
- ( ) an 11-day tour of Canada and the USA. She was very busy and her daily schedule was full of

# WORD JUMBLE

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

1. her during Collapsed America North of tour.

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2. rest immediately to long Doctors her a ordered take.

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3. 11 tour the an day At of - end.

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4. schedule daily Her appointments of full was.

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5. official overseas trip with her husband It was her first.

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6. is about family worried health royal now Kate's Britain's.

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7. Duchess The weight of lot a lost.

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8. baby may thin a She too have be to.

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9. getting difficulty extreme have will She pregnant.

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10. and Kate's start got eating to properly relax.

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## **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. \_\_\_\_\_

## WRITING

From: [http://www.NewsEnglishLessons.com/1107/110726-kate\\_middleton.html](http://www.NewsEnglishLessons.com/1107/110726-kate_middleton.html)

**Write about Kate Middleton for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.**

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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. KATE MIDDLETON:** Search the Internet and find more information about Kate Middleton. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about a royal family. Include imaginary interviews with some members of that family. 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 Kate Middleton (the Duchess of Cambridge). Ask her three questions about being a royal. Give her three of your opinions on royalty. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Your partner will answer the questions you asked.