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**Level 3 – 30th June, 2020**

## **Egypt jails famous belly dancer for immorality**

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<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

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# THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

A famous Egyptian belly dancer has been put in prison. A court in Cairo, Egypt sentenced Sama el-Masry to three years behind bars. It also fined her 300,000 Egyptian pounds, which is about \$18,500. Ms El-Masry was arrested by the police in Egypt in April. Police charged her with immorality after she posted videos on the video-sharing platform TikTok. The videos showed her performing various belly dances. Egypt has recently decided to crack down on social media posts. Egypt's Public Prosecution office accused Ms El-Masry of posting immoral pictures and videos on her social media accounts. It said she was guilty of breaking Egypt's morals because the videos were "sexually suggestive".

Sama el-Masry is 42 years old. As well as being a belly dancer, she is also an actress and starred in three successful movies. One of the movies was about the unfair treatment of female media workers. It created a lot of debate in Egypt about the rights of women in the workplace. She also got a lot of criticism in the past for posting videos on YouTube about her political views. One of the videos mocked former US President Barack Obama for his policy towards Egypt. A women's rights lawyer in Egypt defended Ms El-Masry. She said: "Our conservative society is struggling with technological changes which have created a completely different environment and mindsets."

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# WARM-UPS

**1. BELLY DANCING:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about belly dancing. 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?

famous / Egyptian / belly / dancer / bars / immorality / TikTok / social media / guilty / actress / successful / movies / unfair treatment / political views / conservative

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

**3. ART:** Students A **strongly** believe that belly dancing is an art; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. DANCING:** What do you know about these dances? How good are they? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What You Know	How Good
Belly dance		
Break dance		
The tango		
Ballet		
Flamenco		
Hula dance		

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

**6. TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGES:** Rank these with your partner. Put the biggest technological changes at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- The wheel
- The printing press
- Electricity
- The motor car
- Radio
- Computers
- The Internet
- Mobile phones

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |              |  |
|--------------|--|
| 1. prison    | a. Different kinds of.   |
| 2. court     | b. Decided on a punishment for someone and gave it to them.                                |
| 3. sentenced | c. A place with a judge, a jury and lawyers try to find out if someone did a crime or not. |
| 4. arrested  | d. Responsible for doing something wrong.  |
| 5. various   | e. A building where people have to stay (sometimes for many years) if they break the law.  |
| 6. accused   | f. Taken away by the police for (possibly) doing something against the law.                |
| 7. guilty    | g. Said someone did something bad or wrong.  |

## Paragraph 2

- |                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 8. starred       | h. The way in which someone behaves toward or deals with someone or something.                                 |
| 9. treatment     | i. An opinion or way of thinking.  |
| 10. debate       | j. Trying very hard to do something but having many problems.  |
| 11. criticism    | k. An argument about a particular subject, especially one in which many people are involved.                   |
| 12. view         | l. Having traditional ways of thinking and not wanting to change, usually about politics, society or religion. |
| 13. conservative | m. Telling people what they did was bad or wrong because of faults or mistakes.                                |
| 14. struggling   | n. Had a main role in a movie or play.   |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

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

- a. A belly dancer has been sent to prison for 10 years. **T / F**
- b. The belly dancer got a fine of \$300,000 from a court in Cairo. **T / F**
- c. The police charged the belly dancer with immortality. **T / F**
- d. The article said Egypt has decided to crack down on social media. **T / F**
- e. The belly dancer starred in three successful movies. **T / F**
- f. The belly dancer got a debate going about the rights of women at work. **T / F**
- g. The belly dancer made a video in which she praised Barack Obama. **T / F**
- h. A lawyer suggested technology has been a problem for Egypt. **T / F**

## 2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- |                       |               |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1. <b>famous</b>      | a. discussion |
| 2. <b>behind bars</b> | b. different  |
| 3. <b>posted</b>      | c. profitable |
| 4. <b>various</b>     | d. in prison  |
| 5. <b>accused</b>     | e. totally    |
| 6. <b>successful</b>  | f. blamed     |
| 7. <b>debate</b>      | g. fighting   |
| 8. <b>views</b>       | h. well known |
| 9. <b>struggling</b>  | i. opinions   |
| 10. <b>completely</b> | j. uploaded   |

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

- |                                       |                          |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. A famous Egyptian belly dancer has | a. changes               |
| 2. three years behind                 | b. with immorality       |
| 3. It also fined her 300,000          | c. accounts              |
| 4. Police charged her                 | d. female media workers  |
| 5. on her social media                | e. bars                  |
| 6. As well as being                   | f. criticism in the past |
| 7. the unfair treatment of            | g. been put in prison    |
| 8. She also got a lot of              | h. lawyer                |
| 9. A women's rights                   | i. Egyptian pounds       |
| 10. struggling with technological     | j. a belly dancer        |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

A (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Egyptian belly dancer has been put in prison. A court in Cairo, Egypt sentenced Sama el-Masry to three years behind (2) \_\_\_\_\_. It also fined her 300,000 Egyptian pounds, which is about \$18,500. Ms El-Masry was (3) \_\_\_\_\_ by the police in Egypt in April. Police charged her with (4) \_\_\_\_\_ after she posted videos on the video-sharing platform TikTok. The videos showed her performing (5) \_\_\_\_\_ belly dances. Egypt has recently decided to (6) \_\_\_\_\_ down on social media posts. Egypt's Public Prosecution office (7) \_\_\_\_\_ Ms El-Masry of posting immoral pictures and videos on her social media accounts. It said she was (8) \_\_\_\_\_ of breaking Egypt's morals because the videos were "sexually suggestive".

*arrested*  
*famous*  
*accused*  
*various*  
*guilty*  
*immorality*  
*bars*  
*crack*

Sama el-Masry is 42 years old. As (9) \_\_\_\_\_ as being a belly dancer, she is also an actress and starred in three (10) \_\_\_\_\_ movies. One of the movies was about the unfair treatment of female media (11) \_\_\_\_\_. It created a lot of debate in Egypt about the rights of women in the (12) \_\_\_\_\_. She also got a lot of criticism in the past for posting videos on YouTube about her political (13) \_\_\_\_\_. One of the videos mocked former US President Barack Obama for his policy towards Egypt. A women's (14) \_\_\_\_\_ lawyer in Egypt defended Ms El-Masry. She said: "Our conservative society is (15) \_\_\_\_\_ with technological changes which have created a completely different (16) \_\_\_\_\_ and mindsets."

*workers*  
*well*  
*views*  
*struggling*  
*successful*  
*environment*  
*workplace*  
*rights*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

- 1) A famous Egyptian belly dancer has been \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. putting prison
  - b. putt in prison
  - c. put in prison
  - d. put tin prison
- 2) sentenced Sama el-Masry to three \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. years behind bar
  - b. years behind bears
  - c. years behind bards
  - d. years behind bars
- 3) Police charged her with immorality after \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. she posted videos
  - b. she post it videos
  - c. sheep hosted videos
  - d. she posed videos
- 4) Egypt's Public Prosecution office accused Ms El-Masry of posting \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. in moral pictures
  - b. in more all pictures
  - c. immemorial pictures
  - d. immoral pictures
- 5) she was guilty of breaking Egypt's morals because the videos were " \_\_\_\_\_ "
  - a. sexually suggest it
  - b. sexually suggested
  - c. sexually suggestive
  - d. sexually suggesting
- 6) One of the movies was about the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. in fair treatment
  - b. in fare treatment
  - c. unfair treatment
  - d. un far treatment
- 7) a lot of criticism in the past for posting videos on YouTube about \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. her political views
  - b. her politically views
  - c. her political news
  - d. her political viewers
- 8) One of the videos mocked former US President Barack Obama \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. for history
  - b. for this police
  - c. for his policy
  - d. for this policy
- 9) A women's rights lawyer in Egypt \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. defending Ms El-Masry
  - b. defended Ms El-Masry
  - c. defender Ms El-Masry
  - d. defend did Ms El-Masry
- 10) Our conservative society is struggling with \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. technology call changes
  - b. technology CAL changes
  - c. technologically changes
  - d. technological changes

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

A famous Egyptian belly dancer has been (1) \_\_\_\_\_. A court in Cairo, Egypt sentenced Sama el-Masry to three (2) \_\_\_\_\_. It also fined her 300,000 Egyptian pounds, which is about \$18,500. Ms El-Masry was arrested by the police in Egypt in April. Police charged her with (3) \_\_\_\_\_ posted videos on the video-sharing platform TikTok. The videos showed (4) \_\_\_\_\_ belly dances. Egypt has recently decided to crack down on social media posts. Egypt's Public Prosecution office accused Ms El-Masry of posting immoral pictures and videos on her social media accounts. It said she (5) \_\_\_\_\_ breaking Egypt's morals because the videos (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

Sama el-Masry is 42 years old. As (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a belly dancer, she is also an actress and starred in three successful movies. One of the movies was about the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ female media workers. It created a (9) \_\_\_\_\_ in Egypt about the rights of women in the workplace. She also got a (10) \_\_\_\_\_ in the past for posting videos on YouTube about her political views. One of the videos mocked former US President Barack Obama for (11) \_\_\_\_\_ Egypt. A women's rights lawyer in Egypt defended Ms El-Masry. She said: "Our conservative (12) \_\_\_\_\_ with technological changes which have created a completely different environment and mindsets."



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

1. How long does the belly dancer have to spend behind bars?
2. How much did the dancer get fined (in Egyptian currency)?
3. What social media platform did the Belly Dancer upload the videos to?
4. What has Egypt recently decide to crack down on?
5. What did a court say the belly dancer was breaking?
6. What other job does the belly dancer have?
7. What did a movie create a lot of in Egypt?
8. What did the belly dancer get a lot of criticism for?
9. Who did the belly dancer mock in a YouTube video?
10. What changes did a lawyer say Egypt's society was struggling with?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

- 1) How long does the belly dancer have to spend behind bars?
  - a) one year
  - b) three months
  - c) 10 years
  - d) three years
- 2) How much did the dancer get fined (in Egyptian currency)?
  - a) 3,000,000 Egyptian pounds
  - b) 300,000 Egyptian pounds
  - c) three thousand Egyptian pounds
  - d) thirty thousand Egyptian pounds
- 3) What social media platform did the Belly Dancer upload the videos to?
  - a) Instagram
  - b) Facebook
  - c) Twitter
  - d) TikTok
- 4) What has Egypt recently decide to crack down on?
  - a) the Internet
  - b) YouTube
  - c) social media posts
  - d) Twitter
- 5) What did a court say the belly dancer was breaking?
  - a) parole
  - b) records
  - c) hearts
  - d) Egypt's morals
- 6) What other job does the belly dancer have?
  - a) company CEO
  - b) lawyer
  - c) an actress
  - d) doctor
- 7) What did a movie create a lot of in Egypt?
  - a) debate
  - b) fans
  - c) money
  - d) noise
- 8) What did the belly dancer get a lot of criticism for?
  - a) her hair
  - b) dancing
  - c) her political views
  - d) staying quiet
- 9) Who did the belly dancer mock in a YouTube video?
  - a) Donald Trump
  - b) Barack Obama
  - c) Egypt's leader
  - d) another dancer
- 10) What changes did a lawyer say Egypt's society was struggling with?
  - a) technological changes
  - b) big changes
  - c) dancing rules
  - d) many rules

# ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

## **Role A – The Wheel**

You think the wheel is the greatest technological change. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their change isn't as great. Also, tell the others which is the least great of these (and why): electricity, the car or the Internet.

## **Role B – Electricity**

You think electricity is the greatest technological change. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their change isn't as great. Also, tell the others which is the least great of these (and why): the wheel, the car or the Internet.

## **Role C – The Motor Car**

You think the car is the greatest technological change. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their change isn't as great. Also, tell the others which is the least great of these (and why): electricity, the wheel or the Internet.

## **Role D – The Internet**

You think the Internet is the greatest technological change. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their change isn't as great. Also, tell the others which is the least great of these (and why): electricity, the car or the wheel.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

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

belly	dance

- 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>• famous</li><li>• fined</li><li>• police</li><li>• various</li><li>• accused</li><li>• guilty</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• starred</li><li>• debate</li><li>• past</li><li>• former</li><li>• defended</li><li>• created</li></ul>
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# BELLY DANCING SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

Write five GOOD questions about belly dancing 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.

# BELLY DANCING DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'belly'?
3. What do you think of belly dancing?
4. What do you think of Sama being put in prison?
5. Who decides what is moral or immoral?
6. Is showing lots of skin while dancing immoral?
7. Is dancing in a sexy way immoral?
8. Should citizens follow all rules on morality?
9. Why is Sama in prison if belly dancing started in Egypt?
10. Should Egypt be proud of its belly dancing tradition?

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# BELLY DANCING DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'dancer'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about belly dancing?
15. Is Ms El Masry a hero for highlighting women's rights?
16. What advice do you have for Ms El Masry?
17. What changes has social media made to society?
18. Are people too upset about everything these days?
19. Should all societies be conservative?
20. What questions would you like to ask Ms El-Masry?

## 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

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

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Sama el-Masry is 42 years old. As well as (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a belly dancer, she is also an actress and starred in three successful movies. One of the movies was about the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ treatment of female media workers. It created a lot of debate in Egypt about the rights of women in the workplace. She also got a lot of (9) \_\_\_\_\_ in the past for posting videos on YouTube about her political (10) \_\_\_\_\_. One of the videos mocked former US President Barack Obama for his policy towards Egypt. A women's rights lawyer in Egypt (11) \_\_\_\_\_ Ms El-Masry. She said: "Our conservative society is struggling with technological changes which have created a (12) \_\_\_\_\_ different environment and mindsets."

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

- |                    |                |               |               |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. (a) but         | (b) put        | (c) gut       | (d) hut       |
| 2. (a) bins        | (b) jabs       | (c) pens      | (d) bars      |
| 3. (a) changed     | (b) charged    | (c) chastened | (d) chaired   |
| 4. (a) vary        | (b) variety    | (c) various   | (d) varies    |
| 5. (a) down        | (b) on         | (c) up        | (d) in        |
| 6. (a) of          | (b) to         | (c) on        | (d) as        |
| 7. (a) begin       | (b) been       | (c) be        | (d) being     |
| 8. (a) unfair      | (b) tied       | (c) more      | (d) said      |
| 9. (a) critical    | (b) criticism  | (c) critic    | (d) critters  |
| 10. (a) news       | (b) shoes      | (c) views     | (d) blues     |
| 11. (a) distracted | (b) refunded   | (c) defended  | (d) rebounded |
| 12. (a) tensely    | (b) completely | (c) properly  | (d) rightly   |



# SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

## Paragraph 1

1. sncedeten Sama el-Masry to three years
2. Ms El-Masry was eesradtr by the police
3. performing vaurois belly dances
4. Egypt has ectleryn decided to crack down
5. she was uigtly of breaking Egypt's morals
6. the videos were "sexually iusveesgtg"

## Paragraph 2

7. starred in three sulecsfsuc movies
8. the ifranu treatment of female media workers
9. She also got a lot of istriicmc
10. about her piatilloc views
11. Our eachvoveirst society
12. created a lcepmoytel different environment

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

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

- ( ) guilty of breaking Egypt's morals because the videos were "sexually suggestive".
- ( ) arrested by the police in Egypt in April. Police charged her with immorality after she posted videos on the video-
- ( ) lot of criticism in the past for posting videos on YouTube about her political views. One of the videos mocked former
- ( ) three successful movies. One of the movies was about the unfair treatment of female media
- ( ) changes which have created a completely different environment and mindsets."
- ( ) US President Barack Obama for his policy towards Egypt. A women's rights lawyer
- ( **1** ) A famous Egyptian belly dancer has been put in prison. A court in Cairo, Egypt sentenced Sama el-Masry to
- ( ) sharing platform TikTok. The videos showed her performing various belly dances. Egypt has
- ( ) three years behind bars. It also fined her 300,000 Egyptian pounds, which is about \$18,500. Ms El-Masry was
- ( ) Sama el-Masry is 42 years old. As well as being a belly dancer, she is also an actress and starred in
- ( ) workers. It created a lot of debate in Egypt about the rights of women in the workplace. She also got a
- ( ) recently decided to crack down on social media posts. Egypt's Public Prosecution office accused Ms El-Masry of
- ( ) in Egypt defended Ms El-Masry. She said: "Our conservative society is struggling with technological
- ( ) posting immoral pictures and videos on her social media accounts. It said she was

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

1. in belly has put been A dancer prison .
2. Cairo court sentenced in her . A Egypt
3. by in arrested was the police Egypt . She
4. performing belly her The showed videos various dances .
5. down has crack on decided posts . Egypt to recently
6. unfair treatment workers . media female of The
7. rights workplace . The of in the women
8. of criticism past . lots got the in She
9. mocked videos the the One former of president .
10. technological society conservative struggling is with Our changes .

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

A famous Egyptian belly dancer has been put *on / in* prison. A court in Cairo, Egypt sentenced Sama el-Masry to three years behind *bars / bar*. It also fined her 300,000 Egyptian pounds, which is about \$18,500. Ms El-Masry was arrested *at / by* the police in Egypt in April. Police *charged / changed* her with immorality after she *posted / posed* videos on the video-sharing platform TikTok. The videos showed her *performance / performing* various belly dances. Egypt has recently decided to crack *up / down* on social media posts. Egypt's Public Prosecution office *accusing / accused* Ms El-Masry of posting immoral pictures and videos on her social *medium / media* accounts. It said she was guilty of breaking Egypt's morals because the videos *were / was* "sexually suggestive".

Sama el-Masry is 42 years old. As *good / well* as being a belly dancer, she is also an actress and *stirred / starred* in three successful movies. One of the movies was about the *unfairly / unfair* treatment of female media workers. It created a *lot / lots* of debate in Egypt about the rights of women in the workplace. She also got *a / the* lot of criticism in the past for posting videos on YouTube about her *political / politically* views. One of the videos mocked former US President Barack Obama for *him / his* policy towards Egypt. A women's rights lawyer *in / on* Egypt defended Ms El-Masry. She said: "Our conservative society is *straggling / struggling* with technological changes which have created a completely different environment *end / and* mindsets."

**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)

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A f\_m\_\_ s E g y p t\_\_ n b\_l l y d\_n c\_r h\_s b\_\_ n  
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v\_r\_n m\_n t \_n d m\_n d s\_t\_s . "

# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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## FREE WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

Write about **belly dancing** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

[illegible]



# ACADEMIC WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200630-belly-dancing.html>

Dancing is an art form and should never be illegal. Discuss.

[illegible]

# 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 this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. BELLY DANCING:** Make a poster about belly dancing. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. DANCE:** Write a magazine article about getting the whole world to dance. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

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 an expert on belly dancing. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions on it. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e    2. c    3. b    4. f    5. a    6. g    7. d  
8. n    9. h    10. k    11. m    12. i    13. l    14. j

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. h	2. d	3. j	4. b	5. f
6. c	7. a	8. i	9. g	10. e

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Three years
2. 300,000 Egyptian pounds
3. TikTok
4. Social media posts
5. Egypt's morals
6. An actress
7. Debate
8. Her political views
9. Barack Obama
10. Technological changes

## WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. A belly dancer has been put in prison.
2. A court in Cairo Egypt sentenced her.
3. She was arrested by the police in Egypt.
4. The videos showed her performing various belly dances.
5. Egypt has recently decided to crack down on posts.
6. The unfair treatment of female media workers.
7. The rights of women in the workplace.
8. She got lots of criticism in the past.
9. One of the videos mocked the former president.
10. Our conservative society is struggling with technological changes.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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