

Executives go under the knife

Context clues

A Find the words in *italics* in the reading. Circle the meaning of each word.

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| 1. <i>go under the knife</i> (title) | 4. <i>asking for</i> (par. 9) |
| a. buy eating utensils | a. questioning |
| b. have surgery | b. requesting |
| c. are very competitive | c. using |
| 2. <i>points out</i> (par. 6) | 5. <i>therapy</i> (par. 12) |
| a. explains using words | a. exercise |
| b. explains using gestures | b. counseling |
| c. explains using pictures | c. treatment |
| 3. <i>catch on</i> (par. 6) | 6. <i>beat</i> (par. 14) |
| a. grab | a. hit |
| b. become popular | b. make a rhythmic sound |
| c. understand | c. win over |

Details

B Complete each sentence with a number from the box.

$\frac{1}{5}$ ~~$\frac{1}{3}$~~ 10 30 31 90 72,000 150 million

- Money spent on cosmetic surgery in the UK has increased by more than $\frac{1}{3}$.
- People in the UK will spend about _____ pounds on plastic surgery.
- About _____ plastic surgery operations will be performed in the UK this year.
- The market for plastic surgery in the UK has grown by _____ percent in recent years.
- Almost _____ of female managers said that cosmetic surgery would improve their self-esteem.
- Peter Coles directs a medical group that runs _____ cosmetic surgery clinics.
- About _____ percent of working women are having job-related cosmetic surgery.
- According to Lesley Kidd, someone with better skills and ability will beat someone with good looks in an interview _____ percent of the time.

Spelling

C Circle the correct spellings.

- Women executives are trying to **break** / **brake** through the glass ceiling.
- Many companies are still dominated by **male** / **mail** executives at the top.
- Older workers sometimes worry that they'll be **past** / **passed** over for promotions.
- Both women and men have used plastic surgery as a way to get **a head** / **ahead** in business.
- Do you believe ability will always **beat** / **beet** looks in a job interview?
- Cosmetic surgery won't change **you're** / **your** ability to do **you're** / **your** job.

Unit 4: Reading 2 (pages 28–29)

What makes a man attractive?

Context clues

A Find the words in *italics* in the reading. Then complete the sentences.

<i>associated</i> (par. 3)	<i>feminized</i> (par. 2)	<i>influence</i> (par. 4)
<i>cavemen</i> (par. 6)	<i>husband</i> (par. 3)	<i>slightly</i> (par. 3)

- Tom and his brother Hank look very similar, but Tom is slightly taller.
- A _____ face has the features of a woman.
- Scientists think _____ usually had protruding foreheads and thick eyebrows.
- A man's attractiveness has a strong _____ on what women think of him.
- A woman who is looking for a mate is searching for a _____ .
- In many societies, youth is often _____ with energy and ambition.

Parts of speech

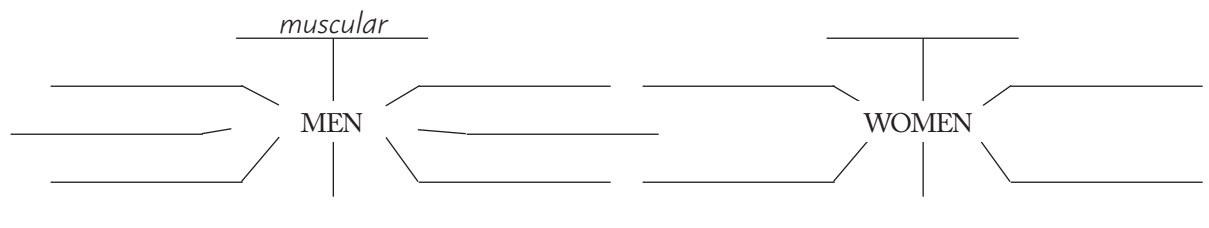
B Circle the correct answers.

- Jan is really lucky! She has a loving, **faith** / **faithful** / **faithfulness** husband.
- A man with a **feminized** / **feminine** / **female** face looks emotionally warm.
- The features of your **facial** / **face** / **faced** include two eyes, a nose, and a mouth.
- Does a woman always **preference** / **preferable** / **prefer** a rugged-looking man?
- David Perret's **found** / **find** / **findings** surprised many people.
- Long ago, muscular men were good food **provides** / **providers** / **provisions**.
- Many people think Perrett's conclusions are **debate** / **debated** / **debatable**.
- How we **perceive** / **perception** / **perceptive** beauty affects our behavior.

Details

C What makes men attractive? What makes women attractive? Complete the diagrams with the words and phrases from the box.

delicate features	large nose and jaw	protruding forehead	thick eyebrows
full lips	large, wide eyes	small, deep-set eyes	thin lips
high cheekbones	muscular		



CHALLENGE

D Add two more words to each diagram in Exercise C. Use your own ideas.

In the land of the mirror

Reference words

A What do these words refer to?

1. *here* (par. 1, line 3) _____ *Venezuela* _____
2. *it* (par. 1, line 3) _____
3. *his* (par. 3, line 4) _____
4. *He* (par. 3, line 13) _____
5. *it* (par. 4, line 4) _____
6. *them* (par. 5, line 11) _____
7. *they* (par. 7, line 9) _____
8. *her* (par. 8, line 8) _____

Context clues

B Find the phrases in *italics* in the reading. Circle the meaning of each phrase.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "<i>rough diamonds</i>" (par. 3) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. not perfectly beautiful women b. unpolished precious stones c. beauty scouts 2. "<i>I mold the person</i>" (par. 3) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. I change the person b. I find the person c. I advise the person 3. "<i>We'd have to fix that</i>" (par. 4) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. We'd find a different woman b. We'd get the woman surgery c. We'd give the woman cosmetics | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. "<i>I don't want them to touch my face</i>" (par. 5) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. I don't want to use cosmetics b. I don't want to exercise c. I don't want to have surgery 5. "<i>I've put a lot into this</i>" (par. 6) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. I've really been wishing for this b. I've worked very hard for this c. I've paid a lot for this 6. "<i>to be like a Miss</i>" (par. 8) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. to act like an unmarried woman b. to enter beauty contests c. to look very beautiful |
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Point of view

C Who probably said each statement? Write Astrid Cabral (AC), Sonia Roffe (SR), or Osmel Sousa (OS).

She is beautiful, but her lips are too thin. I want to fix that.

1. SR

I spend a lot of time looking for beautiful women in malls and universities.

2. _____

I'm going to have surgery so I can look more beautiful.

3. _____

I like to think of ways to make women more beautiful.

4. _____

Her skin is too dark. It needs to be lightened with creams.

5. _____

It's sad that Venezuelan men demand that women focus on beauty.

6. _____