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## **Level 1**

# **Indian woman fights and kills leopard**

**29th August, 2014**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1408/140829-leopard-1.html>

An Indian woman killed a leopard that attacked her near her village. Kamla Devi, 56, was fetching water when the cat jumped on her. She fought for 30 minutes and finally the cat died. She is now recovering in hospital from many bites and cuts. She also has three fractures on her hands. Devi said: "I thought I was dead but I did not lose patience and courage....I fought head on with it." She stabbed the leopard and smashed some of its teeth.

Doctors are surprised she survived. Most people do not survive a leopard attack. Her doctor said she has fractures on her hands and deep injuries on her head and legs. There are also bite marks all over her body. She needed over 100 stitches. She is now in a stable condition. One of her friends said: "She is very brave." A leopard expert said she had strong willpower. She killed the leopard and walked for one kilometre while badly bleeding.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-india-28941519>  
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# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1408/140829-leopard-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. a leopard that               | a. and courage    |
| 2. near her                     | b. the leopard    |
| 3. She fought                   | c. on her hands   |
| 4. She is now recovering        | d. attacked her   |
| 5. She also has three fractures | e. in hospital    |
| 6. I did not lose patience      | f. of its teeth   |
| 7. She stabbed                  | g. village        |
| 8. smashed some                 | h. for 30 minutes |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Doctors are surprised          | a. head and legs     |
| 2. Most people do not survive     | b. willpower         |
| 3. injuries on her                | c. over 100 stitches |
| 4. bite marks all                 | d. badly bleeding    |
| 5. She needed                     | e. a leopard attack  |
| 6. She is now in a stable         | f. she survived      |
| 7. she had strong                 | g. condition         |
| 8. walked for one kilometre while | h. over her body     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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An Indian woman killed a leopard (1) \_\_\_\_\_ near her village. Kamla Devi, 56, was (2) \_\_\_\_\_ when the cat jumped on her. She fought for 30 minutes and finally the cat died. She is (3) \_\_\_\_\_ hospital from many bites and cuts. She also has three (4) \_\_\_\_\_ hands. Devi said: "(5) \_\_\_\_\_ dead but I did not lose patience and courage....I fought head on with it." She stabbed the leopard and smashed (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

Doctors are (7) \_\_\_\_\_. Most people do not survive a leopard attack. Her doctor said she has fractures on her hands and deep (8) \_\_\_\_\_ head and legs. There are also bite marks (9) \_\_\_\_\_ body. She needed over 100 stitches. She is now in (10) \_\_\_\_\_. One of her friends said: "She is very brave." A leopard expert said she (11) \_\_\_\_\_. She killed the leopard and walked for one kilometre while (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

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b)

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c)

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d)

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e)

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f)

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g)

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h)

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

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