

Subject: The Luxury of American Healthcare

I. Read the paragraph *American Healthcare Up Close* and answer the following questions:

- 1. What is the life expectancy in the USA? _____
- 2. How does US life expectancy compare to Switzerland? _____
- 3. How many Americans are categorised as obese? _____
- 4. What is a specific problem in the American healthcare system? _____
- 5. How much do you have to pay for a caesarian section in America? _____



II. Find words or phrases in the particular paragraphs that match meanings 1-6 below:

- 1. Great or very large (*American Healthcare Up Close*)
- 2. Perfect, with no problems (*American Healthcare Up Close*)
- 3. The group of people without employment (*How Did We Get Here?*)
- 4. An attempt to do something (*Today's Political Fracas*)
- 5. A situation in which a business or a person becomes unable to pay their debts (*Today's Political Fracas*)
- 6. Once every year (*Today's Political Fracas*)

III. Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1. The/ in the USA /unpaid/ root/ cause / is/ medical bills/ of bankruptcy.
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- 2. by physicians /France/ offers/ a 24-hour service/ has/ that/ house calls/.
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- 3. in /the headlines/ today/ remains/ Healthcare.
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- 4. of Americans/ Over/ one-third /obese/ are.
.....
- 5. How/get/does/ odd/ the system?
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IV. Complete with the correct form of the word in CAPITALS.

1. They are suffering a serious increase in inflation and an _____ boom in house prices. **SUSTAIN**
2. We offer you _____ training in all aspects of the business. **COMPREHEND**
3. That was a _____ visit. We had to make an appointment two weeks ago. **ARRANGE**
4. She has donated money to establish a _____ laboratory. **PHARMACY**
5. It's so annoying. She is constantly _____. **AVAILABLE**

V. Translate the following sentences into English:

1. Winowajca został ukarany. _____
2. Mogę zawsze na nim polegać. _____
3. Przez 3 miesiące była na urlopie macierzyńskim. _____

VI. Write a paragraph describing the healthcare system in your country.

VII Optional task

Watch the video: The Healthcare System of the United States:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yN-MkRcOJjY>



Answers: I. 1. 78.8, 2. 83.8, 3. Over one-third of Americans, 4. the USA is the most expensive country to give birth in., 5. up to over \$15,000; II. 1. overwhelming, 2. impeccable, 3. the unemployed, 4. endeavour, 5. bankruptcy, 6. annually; III. 1. The root cause of bankruptcy in the USA is unpaid medical bills. 2. France has a 24-hour service that offers house calls by physicians. 3. Healthcare remains in the headlines today. 4. Over one-third of Americans are obese. 5. How odd does the system get? IV. 1. unsustainable, 2. comprehensive, 3. prearranged, 4. pharmaceutical, 5. unavailable. V. The villain has been punished. 2. I can always rely on him. 3. She was on maternity leave for three months.