

# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2107/210715-dance-music-0.html>

There is now a maximum speed on songs gyms in South Korea can play. This is to stop a new wave of Covid-19. New rules will stop people breathing too quickly or sweating on each other. Gyms cannot play music with a tempo higher than 120 beats per minute (bpm). K-pop fans will be happy. The BTS hit Dynamite is 115 bpm.

The government said the country was at "crisis level". It felt sorry for gyms. It asked people for "a little more patience". Gym owners are unhappy. One asked if songs by BTS have any impact on spreading the virus. He said many people use their own earphones in gyms. This means it is difficult to control what they listen to.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-57798520>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. a maximum speed               | a. other            |
| 2. gyms                          | b. wave of Covid-19 |
| 3. stop a new                    | c. too quickly      |
| 4. stop people breathing         | d. be happy         |
| 5. sweating on each              | e. per minute       |
| 6. Gyms cannot                   | f. on songs         |
| 7. a tempo higher than 120 beats | g. play music       |
| 8. K-pop fans will               | h. in South Korea   |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. the country was at crisis | a. for gyms       |
| 2. It felt sorry             | b. is difficult   |
| 3. a little more             | c. unhappy        |
| 4. Gym owners are            | d. they listen to |
| 5. spreading the             | e. patience       |
| 6. use their own             | f. level          |
| 7. This means it             | g. earphones      |
| 8. control what              | h. virus          |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The government said the country was (7) \_\_\_\_\_. It felt (8) \_\_\_\_\_. It asked people for "a little more patience". Gym (9) \_\_\_\_\_. One asked if songs by BTS (10) \_\_\_\_\_ on spreading the virus. He said many people (11) \_\_\_\_\_ earphones in gyms. This means it is difficult to (12) \_\_\_\_\_ listen to.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_
- d) \_\_\_\_\_
- e) \_\_\_\_\_
- f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_
- d) \_\_\_\_\_
- e) \_\_\_\_\_
- f) \_\_\_\_\_