

Title:	Push to boost the number of male nurses
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Source:	ABC's 7.30 Report
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Video & Script:	https://www.abc.net.au/7.30/push-to-boost-the-number-of-male-nurses/11982074
Summary:	There is hope that more males will consider a career in nursing.

KEY WORDS

Below is a list of words which appear in the report - can you match the words with their correct definition? Use a dictionary to help you if you aren't sure.

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deal with, tackle	
disturb	
generalization, belief that many people have about something which is often untrue	
honour, source of pride or satisfaction	
increase, expand	
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obstacle, difficulty, something that blocks	
relating to men, male	
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welcome, accept willingly	
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oversee staff (v)
stereotype (n)
privilege (n)
faze (v)
predominantly female (adv)
persist (v)
campaign (v)
boost (v)
embrace (v)
masculine (adj)
inspire (v)
social barrier (n)
fastidious approach (adj)
address the shortage (v)

FOCUS QUESTIONS

- How would you describe the job of nursing?
- Why is nursing a predominantly female occupation? Why aren't there more male nurses?
- What might be some benefits of having more males take up a career in nursing? How can this be achieved?
- Daryn Mitford, a nurse with 12 years' experience, says he still faces stereotypes. What kind of stereotypes do you think male nurses face?

LISTENING

Before watching the report, what do you think the following figures refer to?

- Almost 60 per cent ...
- Only 11 per cent ...

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

After watching the report, try to answer the following questions

1. How many staff does nursing manager Daryn Mitford oversee?
2. What is an example of a stereotype Daryn Mitford faces in his job?

He has been asked if ...

3. He says a male presence in nursing can be _____ for patients and their families.
4. Currently within Australia and worldwide, there is a nursing ... **a. shortage.** **b. surplus.**
5. What nickname does nursing graduate Nick Hayward say his mates have given him? **Nick the ...**
6. How does he describe the feeling of working in his first job as a nurse?
7. He always wanted to be a nurse like his mum. **T / F**
8. What does he say about the profession of nursing?

In reality it's evidence-based, it's highly technical, it's highly ...

9. What inspired Kazuma Honda to break through the social barrier and become a nurse?

CLOZE

Use the words to complete the sentences

The form of the word may need to be changed

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12. The French have a view of English cuisine as being inferior. But in fact, it can be quite delicious.
13. The government launched a new anti-smoking targeting young smokers.
14. The owner of the company is very in choosing products that are ethically sourced and environmentally sound.

ANSWERS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Almost 60 per cent of doctors are men. • Only 11 per cent of nurses are men. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 160 2. he is gay 3. comforting 4. shortage 5. nurse (male nurse) 6. fantastic, satisfying 7. F 8. skilled 9. the death of his intellectually disabled brother
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