

# How to Safeguard Your Child's Vision as Myopia Rises

### Description

Myopia, or shortsightedness, is increasing in children. It affects about 35% of kids worldwide, according to a recent study. The study predicts that this number will rise to 40% by 2050, which means over 740 million children could have myopia.

Myopia can cause problems beyond blurry vision. If not treated, it can lead to serious eye issues. This is why it is important to check and treat your child's eyesight.

### What is myopia?

Myopia makes it hard to see things far away. It happens when the eye is too long. This causes blurred images.

## Why is myopia rising?

Myopia is influenced by both genes and the environment. Children spend a lot of time on screens, which can contribute to myopia. Also, less time outside can be a factor.

## What can you do?

To help, encourage your child to play outside more. Schedule regular eye check-ups. If myopia is found, there are ways to treat it, like glasses or special eye drops.

Take care of your child's eye health now to help them see better in the future!

# **Vocabulary List:**

- 1. Myopia /mai'ou.pi.ə/ (noun): A condition where distant objects appear blurry due to the eye being too long.
- 2. **Shortsightedness** /'ʃɔːrt.saɪ.tɪd.nəs/ (noun): The inability to see distant objects clearly.
- 3. Influenced /'In.flu.anst/ (verb): To have an effect on the character development or behavior of someone or something.
- 4. **Contribute** /kən'trɪb.ju:t/ (verb): To help cause a particular event or situation.
- 5. **Regular** /'reg.jə.lər/ (adjective): Done or happening on a constant basis; occurring at fixed intervals.
- 6. Encourage /In'k3:r.Id3/ (verb): To give support confidence or hope to someone.



## **Comprehension Questions**

### **Multiple Choice**

1. What percentage of kids worldwide are affected by myopia according to a recent study?

Option: 15% Option: 35% Option: 50% Option: 75%

2. By what year is the study predicting that the percentage of children with myopia will rise to 40%?

Option: 2030 Option: 2040 Option: 2050

3. What can myopia lead to if left untreated? Option: Loss of hearing Option: Serious eye issues Option: Hair loss Option: Skin problems

4. What is one factor that can contribute to the rise of myopia in children?

Option: Eating too many vegetables Option: Playing outside often Option: Spending a lot of time on screens **Option: Drinking milk** 

5. How can myopia be treated?

**Option: Special exercises** Option: Eye drops Option: Surgery Option: Glasses or special eye drops

6. What is one recommendation to help prevent myopia?

Option: Decrease outdoor activities



Option: Increase screen time Option: Regular eye check-ups and playing outside more Option: Avoid eating fruits

#### **True-False**

- 7. Myopia makes it easier to see things far away.
- 8. Myopia is only influenced by genetics.
- 9. Playing outside more is recommended to help prevent myopia.
- 10. If left untreated, myopia can lead to serious eye issues.
- 11. Children spending a lot of time on screens does not contribute to myopia.
- 12. Regular eye check-ups are not necessary for children with myopia. ESL-NEWS

#### Gap-Fill

13. Myopia is increasing in children. It affects about 35% of kids worldwide. The study predicts that this

number will rise to 40% by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which means over 740 million children could have

myopia.

14. Myopia is influenced by both \_\_\_\_\_\_ and the environment.

15. To help prevent myopia, encourage your child to play outside more and schedule regular eye check-

16. If myopia is found, there are ways to treat it, like glasses or special eye

17. Myopia makes it hard to see things

18. Take care of your child's eye health now to help them see better in the \_\_\_\_\_\_!



### Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 35% 2. 2050 3. Serious eye issues 4. Spending a lot of time on screens 5. Glasses or special eye drops 6. Regular eye check-ups and playing outside more
True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. True 11. False 12. False
Gap-Fill: 13. 2050 14. genes 15. ups 16. drops 17. far away 18. future

# Vocabulary quizzes

### Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )

1. Which type of white blood cells are responsible for fighting infections?

Option: Lymphocytes Option: Neutrophils Option: Monocytes Option: Eosinophils

2. What is the application of medical care or therapy for a condition called?

Option: Prevention Option: Diagnosis Option: Treatment Option: Recovery

3. What force keeps stars and planets in orbit around each other?

Option: Magnetism Option: Friction Option: Gravity Option: Repulsion

4. Which eye condition is commonly referred to as nearsightedness?

Option: Hyperopia Option: Myopia Option: Astigmatism Option: Presbyopia

5. What term is used to describe finding or learning about something for the first time?



Option: Research Option: Discovery Option: Knowledge Option: Study

6. What refers to the application of scientific knowledge for practical purposes especially in industry?

Option: Science Option: Innovation Option: Technology Option: Research

### Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

7 are constantly working on new studies and experiments to advance scientific
knowledge.
8. The provides structural support and protection for the body.
9. A microscope is an essential for studying microscopic organisms.
10. A is an abnormal mass of tissue that may be benign or malignant.
11. The force of pulls objects towards each other.
Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )
12. The hurricane caused extensive damage and left many people homeless.
13. The surprise party was full of energy and enthusiasm.
14. The old car never broke down and always started on the first try.
15. The theory attempted to explain the origins and nature of the universe.
16. Advancements in this field have transformed the way we communicate and work.

### Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Monocytes 2. Treatment 3. Gravity 4. Myopia 5. Discovery 6. Technology Gap-Fill: 7. Researchers 8. Skeleton 9. Instrument 10. Tumor 11. Gravity Matching sentence: 1. Severe



2. Exciting 3. Reliable 4. Cosmic 5. Technology

### CATEGORY

1. Health - LEVEL1

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