

Scientists close to influenza vaccine.

Listen to the piece of news and choose the correct option for each sentence.



- Scientists in the USA say they are getting closer to developing a vaccine that will provide _____ protection against any type of influenza.
 - a) short-term
 - b) life-long
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- Two different research teams have been testing new drugs on _____.
 - a) animals
 - b) humans
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- Trials will soon begin on _____ to determine if the test vaccine has similar successes.
 - a) ferrets
 - b) humans
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- Professor John Oxford said: "This is a leap forward compared to _____."
 - a) anything done recently
 - b) anything done in the past century
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- The flu virus kills up to _____ people every year.
 - a) 50,000
 - b) half a million
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- The challenge with finding a vaccine is the _____ nature of the flu virus.
 - a) ever-changing
 - b) stable
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- Doctors have to predict which strains are likely to cause the most _____.
 - a) mutations
 - b) infections
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- Scientists say flu vaccines in the U.S. reduced the risk of catching flu by just _____ per cent last year.
 - a) 23
 - b) 50
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- The website Inverse.com said the research could help make vaccines for other rapidly mutating viruses, like _____.
 - a) HIV or the common cold
 - b) Ebola or rabies
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- **Now, choose the correct summary of the news:**
 - Scientists in the USA are developing a vaccine that could provide permanent protection against all types of influenza, and trials on humans will begin soon.
 - Scientists in the USA have developed a vaccine that has already proven to be 100% effective in humans and will soon be distributed globally.