BBC LEARNING ENGLISH **Media English** 媒体英语 Skinny jeans 'bad for your health' 窄腿紧身牛仔裤有碍健康



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医生表示,窄腿牛仔裤可能会伤害你的腿。一篇最新发表在《神经学、神经外科学和 精神病医学期刊》的报告说,一位身着窄腿紧身牛仔裤的澳大利亚女士由于腿脚肿胀 麻木,疼痛无比被送往医院接受治疗,她的腿肿胀到无法脱下身穿的牛仔裤,医生不 得不先用剪刀剪开她穿的裤子后才能对她进行入院治疗。以下是 Richard Slee 的报道。

The 35-year-old woman had to be cut out of her jeans after she lost the feeling in her lower legs, which had become badly **swollen**.

The doctors said the tight jeans had caused a loss of **blood supply** as well as **muscle** and **nerve** damage.

The case study, which is published in an online medical journal, says the woman had spent the previous day helping a **relative** move house and a number of hours **squatting** as she emptied cupboards, feeling more uncomfortable as the day progressed.

The woman was treated in hospital for four days and is now thought to have **made a full recovery**.

Questions

- I. What problems did the skinny jeans cause?
- 2. Why was the woman squatting?
- 3. True or false? The woman still feels pain when she squats.
- 4. Which adverb in the text means 'in a serious or harmful way'?

Vocabulary and definitions

swollen	肿胀的
blood supply	供血
muscle	肌肉
nerve	神经
relative	亲戚
squatting	蹲着
made a full recovery	完全恢复了健康

Answers to the questions:

- What problems did the skinny jeans cause?
 Answer: The woman's lower legs became swollen, her blood supply was affected, and muscles and nerves in her leg were damaged.
- 2. Why was the woman squatting? Answer: The woman was squatting because she was emptying cupboards.
- 3. True or false? The woman still feels pain when she squats. Answer: False. According to the report, the woman made a full recovery.
- 4. Which adverb in the text means 'in a serious or harmful way'? Answer: Badly. Her legs were 'badly' swollen.