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## Vicky Phelan

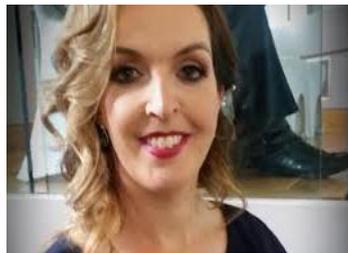
In 2011 Vicky Phelan like thousands of other women went for a smear test and was told that it was clear. However, 3 years later, mother of two Vicky was diagnosed with cervical cancer for which she underwent treatment. Sadly in 2017 the cancer returned and Vicky was given the terrible news that it was not curable and that she would probably have a year at most to live.

While awaiting a scan in the hospital Vicky was reading through her chart when she discovered a letter saying that she had been given wrong results for her smear test in 2011. In fact, cancer cells were present in her body since then. She had not been informed of this. Last month Vicky was awarded €2.5

million in a case she brought against the American Laboratory that reads smear tests. A medical expert said during the case that had Vicky been given the correct results

in 2011 she would have had a 95% chance of a complete recovery. Vicky was asked to sign a confidentiality agreement to prevent her from speaking publicly about what had happened. She refused to do this and continued her fight for all information to be out in the open. It was then discovered that several hundred women like Vicky had been given wrong results in their smear tests and many of them had never been informed up to this. It is now known that at least 17 of these women have since died.

Vicky, having done a lot of research into her illness found a new treatment drug which is being trialled in America. With the help of her family, friends and work colleagues who fundraised on her behalf, she raised enough money to go on this new treatment. Vicky Phelan through her courage and determination has highlighted a serious injustice done to her and many hundreds of women here in Ireland. She is a fighter but above all she is a wife and mother to two young children. Vicky has worked with NALA on many projects and we wish her the very best.



## Ed Sheeran concerts

English singer /songwriter Ed Sheeran is performing in nine sell out concerts all over Ireland during the month of May. Tickets first went on sale a year ago and were sold out in a few hours. In all more than 400,000 people in Ireland will attend his shows.

The 27-year-old red haired Ed whose grandparents come from Ireland is considered to be Irish at this stage. He has sold more records in Ireland than in any other parts of the world and among his hits have been some Irish traditional sounding songs such as “Galway Girl”.

## Getting ready for GDPR

NALA is taking a number of steps to ensure we comply with new data protection laws. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will be introduced on 25 May 2018. It will replace current data protection laws in the European Union. The new law will give individuals greater control over their data by setting out additional and more clearly defined rights for individuals whose personal data is collected and processed by organisations. The GDPR also imposes corresponding and greatly increased obligations on organisations that collect this data.

## What is personal data?

Personal data is any information that can identify an individual person. This includes a name, an ID number, location data (for example, location data collected by a mobile phone) or a postal address, online browsing history, images or anything relating to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of a person.

## What NALA is doing for GDPR

We have taken a number of steps to help us comply with the GDPR including an audit of our current data management procedures. This audit will help us to update our policies and procedures on all areas of data management including data requests, retention and destruction. NALA staff are also being provided with training to ensure they are prepared for the GDPR.

## Adding “ing” and “ed” to words

1. For most words you just add “ing” or “ed” without making any change.

walk/walking/walked      jump/jumping/jumped      work/working/worked

2. For **all** words ending in “y” just add “ing” without a change.

cry/crying    play/playing    fly/flying

- For words **with a vowel before the “y”** just add “ed” without a change.

play/played    enjoy/enjoyed

- For words **with a consonant before the “y”**, change “y” to “i” before adding “ed”.

cry/cried    marry/married

3. For words ending in “e”, drop the “e” before adding “ing” or “ed”.

bake/baking/baked      like/liking/liked      save/saving/saved

4. For words where the last 3 letters are a consonant-vowel-consonant, (CVC) double the last consonant before adding “ing” and “ed”.

shop/shopping/shopped    chat/chatting/chatted

5. For words ending in “ie”, drop the “e” before adding “ed”.

change the “ie” to “y” before adding “ing”. die/died /dying    lie /lied /lying    tie/tied/tying

### Add “ing” and “ed” to the following:

	ing	ed
cry	_____	_____
play	_____	_____
hate	_____	_____
care	_____	_____
lie	_____	_____
skip	_____	_____
live	_____	_____
plan	_____	_____
love	_____	_____
use	_____	_____
shop	_____	_____
rely	_____	_____

A collective noun is the word used to represent a group of people, animals or things. Choose which of the following is the group name for the items below

Example: A herd of elephants.  
**pack, punnet, team, library, string, swarm, army, chest, bunch, deck, choir, nest, pride, pack, flock, gaggle**

A \_\_\_\_\_ of bees

A \_\_\_\_\_ of hounds

A \_\_\_\_\_ of flowers

A \_\_\_\_\_ of sheep

A \_\_\_\_\_ of geese

A \_\_\_\_\_ of lions

A \_\_\_\_\_ of wasps

A \_\_\_\_\_ of singers

A \_\_\_\_\_ of drawers

An \_\_\_\_\_ of ants

A \_\_\_\_\_ of pearls

A \_\_\_\_\_ of strawberries

A \_\_\_\_\_ of books

A \_\_\_\_\_ of cards

A \_\_\_\_\_ of players

### Maths

Orla is going on a journey. When she has driven 40 miles she will have  $\frac{1}{4}$  of her journey completed. She travels at a speed of 80 miles per hour and takes a break of half an hour during the journey. She will leave home at 10am.

**Q1** How many miles in total is her journey?

**Q2** Including her break, how long should it take her to complete the journey?

**Q3** What time should she arrive?

**Answers:**

Q1 160 miles    Q2 two and a half hours    Q3 12.30pm