



#### Read and learn

## Does the Nose Really Grow When You Tell a Lie?

Pinocchio may just be a children's fairy tale, but Spanish scientists investigated the "Pinocchio effect" and found that our noses don't grow when we tell a lie but shrink a bit.







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Using a thermal lie detector to scan the face, they asked 60 people to tell lies to their family or friends on the phone. 48 people have the same result. They noticed a slight drop of temperature at nose level, while the forehead increased up to 1.5 degrees Celsius. Scientists also found that the drop in nose temperature caused it to slightly shrink, although the difference can't be seen by the human eye. Interestingly, the test has a better rate of success than any modern lie detector.

#### Thermal lie detector

A device which uses thermal (= heat) imaging to tell if a person is telling a lie.



Lesson 5

· Write the correct answer in the blank.

scanned fairy tale investigate

- 1. He was among the first to \_\_\_\_\_\_ the effect of medicines on healthy persons.
- 2. I \_\_\_\_\_ a few pages of the book and thought it looked interesting.
- 3. Everything he told us about his happy adventure was just a \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. The \_\_\_\_\_ has a better rate of success than other lie detectors.

#### Grammar

# shrink vs slight

(verb) shrink - the action of getting smaller in size or shape.

(adj.) slight - small in amount or degree.





Write shrink or slight in the blank.

1. She had a headache.

Your dress will if you wash it at very high temperature.

### Answer the questions



What is the result of the study?

- a. The nose grows long when we tell a lie.
- b. The nose shrinks when we tell a lie.
- c. The body temperature remains the same when we tell a lie.



Would you be willing to use a thermal lie detector on someone to know if they are lying?