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SPORTS: SWIMMING

- 1) Yusra Mardini is a Syrian swimmer who competed at the Olympic Games in Rio.
Watch a video about her incredible story.

A) Are these statements True or False?

- a) Yusra used to have lots of friends, loved going to school and to the gym.
- b) Her life was in danger because of the war.
- c) Yusra and her sister swam and pulled the boat for more than four hours.
- d) She made it to Europe and arrived at her new home in Germany.
- e) Yusra represents people who are all fleeing natural disasters.

B) Answer these Questions

- 1. Why did Yusra abandon her home in Syria?
- 2. Who did she escape with?
- 3. Was it easy for her to leave her hometown?
- 4. Did she win a gold medal at the Olympics?
- 5. Is she an ambassador for the UN Refugee Agency?

2) A reporter is interviewing Yusra. Complete their conversation.

Rep: 1 Whenyou?

Yusra: I started swimming when I was a little girl.

Rep:2 What time.....?

Yusra: It started at 6 a.m

Rep:3?

Yusra: Yes, we did. My sister and I swam and pulled the boat to shore.

Rep:4 What time.....your training.....?

Yusra: My training starts at 7 a.m

Rep:5 What.....next year?

Yusra: Next year I'm going to compete in the Aquatic championship.

3) **Michael Phelps is a famous American swimmer. He is Yusra's idol. She wrote an article about him for the school magazine. Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**

Michael Phelps is my idol. He.....1 (be) born in the States on June 30th 1985. He holds the record for the most Olympic medals. He 2(win) twenty-eight medals. At the age of 15, Phelps 3..... (become) the youngest American male swimmer to compete at an Olympic Game.



Now, he is happily married to Nicole Johnson, they4 (get) married in 2016. At the moment, they.....5(visit) Europe. Michael.....6(record) an interview for a French TV programme now. Every day, he and his family..... 7(get) up early and.....8 (have) breakfast at the hotel restaurant. Then, Michael 9(swim). Tomorrow, they10(travel) back to the USA.

4. **Yusra and her friends spent time together. Read what they said and choose the right option**

1. In my opinion Bethany Hamilton is _____ surfer in the world.

- a. good b. better c. the best

2. Windsurfing is _____ swimming.

- a. difficulter than b. more difficult than c. the most difficult

3. Yusra has _____ some photos of famous sportswomen.

- a. take b. took c. taken

4. Michael Phelps _____ already won many Olympic gold medals.

- a. did b. has c. was

5. Yusra _____ pasta every day.

- a. doesn't eat b. doesn't eats c. don't eat



5) **Writing (100 words)**

Rebecca Adlington is a sportswoman, Yusra deeply admires her. Write an article about Rebecca using the given information.

Name	Rebecca Adlington
Nickname	Becky
Sport	swimmer
Date of Birth	February 17 th , 1989
Place of birth	England
Family	Andy Parsons (husband) A daughter and a son
2008	Set a world swimming record at the Beijing Games
2011	A gold medal and a silver medal at the World Acquatics Championships
2012	Two bronze medals at the Summer Olympics
2016	Retirement
At present	Work for the BBC / work in a foundation
Future	trainer

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