Listening 2: practise listening for paraphrased language

A 🎧 **You will hear a talk given to students studying gender studies about women in sport. Listen and answer the questions.**

For questions 1–4, choose the correct letter a, b or c.

1. The speaker says that it is difficult for women to compete in sport with men because ...
   a. men are too good. b. of male attitudes. c. they don't have enough experience.
2. The speaker says that, in horse racing, females are ...
   a. given less important jobs than men.
   b. asked to ride in too many races at meetings. c. expected to win big races.
3. The speaker says that when it comes to contact sports, some people worry that ...
   a. women are hurt more easily b. men will be too aggressive.
   c. men and women will not want to touch each other.
4. The speaker suggests that girls might be able to play football as well as boys because they ...
   a. are strong at an early age. b. can run fast. c. are skilful.

For questions 5–11, complete the notes. Use NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS OR A NUMBER for each answer.

Tennis: men ↓ women (5) _____ equally hard now.
1970s: female player beat (6) _____ easily.

Golf: top female player not (7) _____ in men's event (2003).
said M Wie as good as any male, but her (8) _____ has not been realized.

Should women always want to compete with men?
Serena Williams (tennis world no. 1) would be ranked much lower - would beat men, but probably not win (9) _____. Would not be so famous / would have won much less (10) _____.
Maybe better to encourage people to take women's sport more (11) _____.

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