

Read the text below. For questions (1-7) choose the correct answer.

Needless to say that snowboarding is one of the (1)_____ of our winter sports. It (2)_____ in the 1950s when surfers and skateboarders tried something new. They used (3)_____ boards to travel across the snow.

At first people didn't know about the sport, but then it became (4)_____ well-known and shops began to sell snowboards. The first competitive snowboarding event was called 'King of the Mountain' and (5)_____ place in Colorado in the USA. Soon there were competitions all over the world. In 1998, snowboarding became an event at the Winter Olympic Games in Japan. Today, thousands of people are keen (6)_____ snowboarding. It's almost (7)_____ popular as skiing.

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| 1. | 1. new | 2. newer | 3. newest | 4. much newest |
| 2. | 1. begin | 2. begins | 3. began | 4. beginning |
| 3. | 1. this | 2. their | 3. them | 4. theirs |
| 4. | 1. more | 2. most | 3. much | 4. the most |
| 5. | 1. take | 2. takes | 3. taking | 4. took |
| 6. | 1. at | 2. of | 3. in | 4. on |
| 7. | 1. so | 2. as | 3. more | 4. than |

