

## 6.7 Writing

### A description of an event

- 1 Complete the short stories with the words and phrases from the box. There are two extra words or phrases for each story.

[ after   finally   first   the end   then ]

Steve started sailing when he was ten. At <sup>0</sup> first, he only sailed in the summer holidays. <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a few years, he joined a club and sailed in the winter as well. He became a very good sailor. In <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ he decided to sail around the world and, right now, he is somewhere in the Atlantic Ocean near Argentina.

[ after   at   in   suddenly   that ]

Melanie's parents were worried about her. She didn't do any exercise. <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ first, they took her for cycle rides or walks but she was never happy and, one day, she just said 'no'. After <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, they decided to wait for her to change. It took a long time but, <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the end, she met a boy who loved kayaking. Soon Melanie loved it too and now she goes every Saturday.

## 2 Choose the correct words in the description.

### I'm now a football fan!

I wasn't very happy when my boyfriend told me that he wanted to watch every match of the World Cup. <sup>1</sup>*At / For* first, I stayed away from the television. I went out with my friends and read a lot.

<sup>2</sup>*After that / After* a few days, I noticed that even my friends knew a lot about the World Cup. One day we went to a café. We sat outside in the evening sun.

<sup>3</sup>*Suddenly / Finally*, I realised that I was alone. My friends were inside, in front of a big television screen. I had a choice – sit outside alone or be with them. So, I went in and watched the match. I really enjoyed it. <sup>4</sup>*Then / After that*, I decided to watch all the matches. <sup>5</sup>*Finally / At first*, my boyfriend was pleased but, <sup>6</sup>*after / then*, I noticed that he was very quiet when matches were on.

<sup>7</sup>*In / At* the end, I realised that he preferred watching the matches alone and I preferred watching them with my friends. So, that's what we did and it wasn't a problem. We both enjoyed the World Cup.

### 3 Choose the correct words.

- 1 I was happy *but / because / so* it was a sunny day.
- 2 Don't listen to music. Concentrate *on / in / with* your homework.
- 3 I was very *pleased / please / pleasant* that Jim wrote to me.
- 4 It's impossible *for / that / to* walk twenty kilometers in one hour.
- 5 We're organising a sports day to *lift / raise / spend* money for poor children.
- 6 There was a party and we all dressed *off / out / up* as famous people.
- 7 I hope you remembered *to / of / in* do your homework.



#### 4 Complete the conversation with one word in each gap.

**Bella:** So, tell me about the walk you went on. What was it for?

**Sarah:** It was to <sup>0</sup>raise money <sup>1</sup>f \_\_\_\_\_ our local hospital.

**Bella:** Did people wear strange clothes?

**Sarah:** Some people did. I didn't <sup>2</sup>d \_\_\_\_\_ up a \_\_\_\_\_ anything. I just wore shorts and a T-shirt.

**Bella:** How far was the walk?

**Sarah:** It was a 30km walk.

**Bella:** Wow! Did you finish?

**Sarah:** No, it was <sup>3</sup>i \_\_\_\_\_ to finish the walk. The day started sunny and warm but there was a big storm later on. The organisers told us to stop. I walked 25km.

**Bella:** Was it difficult?

**Sarah:** Yes. I was with a friend for the first 20km. She couldn't go any farther <sup>4</sup>b \_\_\_\_\_ she had a hole in her shoe. She called her parents. I nearly went with them but I decided to continue. After that, I <sup>5</sup>c \_\_\_\_\_ on singing the songs on my MP3 player. I was glad I <sup>6</sup>r \_\_\_\_\_ to take that.

**Bella:** So, did you enjoy the day?

**Sarah:** Yes, I did. I was very <sup>7</sup>p \_\_\_\_\_ that I walked so far. I want to do another long walk now but maybe I'll check the weather forecast first!