READING 2

TAMBURELLO

Tamburello is a sport from the north of Italy. It is a very old sport. The first games were in the 16th century. Players can play the game inside or outside.

It is a team sport and there are usually three players in each team. Players hit the small tennis ball to players in the other team. However, they do not use bats or rackets to hit the ball. They use tambourines. The Italian word for tambourine is tamburello. That is how the sport gets its name.

A player in one team hits the ball over the line to players in the other team. A player in the other team hits it back. When a player does not hit the ball or when the ball goes too far, the other team wins a point. There are four points in each game, just like in tennis. A match usually has 13 games.

PART 5 – READING COMPREHENSION

Choose the correct answer.

1. **Where does tamburello come from?**

   ◯ **A.** Spain ◯ **B.** Italy ◯ **C.** France

2. **How old is tamburello?**

   ◯ **A.** It started in the 16th century. ◯ **B.** It started 16 years ago. ◯ **C.** It started in the 20th century.

3. **Where can people play tamburello?**

   ◯ **A.** Only indoors. ◯ **B.** Only outdoors. ◯ **C.** Indoors or outdoors.

4. **How many players are usually in each team?**

   ◯ **A.** Three ◯ **B.** Four ◯ **C.** Six

5. **What ball do players use?**

   ◯ **A.** A football ◯ **B.** A tennis ball ◯ **C.** A volleyball

6. **What do players use to hit the ball?**

   ◯ **A.** Bats ◯ **B.** Rackets ◯ **C.** Tambourines

7. **Why is the sport called "tamburello"?**

   ◯ **A.** It is the name of the ball. ◯ **B.** It comes from the Italian word for tambourine.

   ◯ **C.** It is the name of a famous player.

8. **When does a team win a point?**

   ◯ **A.** When the other team misses the ball. ◯ **B.** When a player changes teams. ◯ **C.** When the match finishes.

9. **How many points are there in one game?**

   ◯ **A.** Three ◯ **B.** Four ◯ **C.** Thirteen

10. **What is similar to tennis?**

    ◯ **A.** The players use rackets. ◯ **B.** There are four points in each game. ◯ **C.** There are three players in each team.

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