

Lesson 13. Test Unit 8.

1. Прочитайте монологи (A-D) и соедините их с утверждениями (1-5). Одно утверждение является лишним. Впишите буквы A-D в рамки.

- 1) This speaker shows how skating changed through hundreds of years.
- 2) This speaker mentions in what country the first iron skates were manufactured.
- 3) This speaker mentions the origin of the word *skate*.
- 4) This speaker tells how a certain radical change turned skating into a sport.
- 5) This speaker explains why people skate nowadays.

Speaker A

Many millions of people skate in those parts of the world where the winters are cold enough. Although most people ice-skate for recreation and exercise, skating for form and speed is also a highly competitive international sport. Ice-skating skills are an important part of the game of ice hockey. Ice-skating shows entertain millions of spectators. The increasing number of indoor rinks has made year-round skating possible.

Speaker B

People probably skated on ice in the Scandinavian countries before the Christian era. It's quite possible that the first skates were sharp parts of animal bone fitted to the bottom of boots to ease travel over ice. Some drawings and references in literature to ice-skating date from the Middle Ages. The modern word *skate* is derived from the Dutch word *schaats*, meaning "leg bone".

Speaker C

Skating as a sport developed on the lakes of Scotland and the canals of the Netherlands. In the 13th and 14th centuries they began to use wood instead of bone in skate blades. In 1572 the first iron skates were manufactured. The iron blades enabled the skater to push himself or herself ahead much faster. Instructional books were published, and the first skate club was founded in Edinburgh in 1742.

Speaker D

Ice-skating did not develop as an organized competitive sport until the introduction of steel skate blades permanently fixed to leather boots. (Before that steel blades were tied with straps to street boots.) After the innovations in skate construction, both figure skating and speed skating found their way to sports competitions. Figure skating became an Olympic event in 1908. Speed skating for men was part of 1924 Olympic Games, but it was not until 1960 that women's speed skating was put on the Olympic agenda.

2. Восстановите текст, вставив буквы выбранных вариантов в пробелы.

A Bit of History

During the 17th and 18th centuries, British navigators 1. a across the seas with the aim of extending Britain's power. They 2. new territories around the world and 3. their language with them. In many cases the process of bringing "civilization" to the 4. peoples of those lands 5. by cruelty and injustice.

The first New World settlement 6. in 1607. Canada 7. from the French in 1763. During the 17th century, British rule 8. in the West Indian islands. Australia and New Zealand 9. during Captain Cook's voyages between 1768 and 1779.

1. a. sailed	b. have sailed	c. had sailed
2. a. colonised	b. have colonised	c. had colonise
3. a. took	b. taking	c. taken
4. a. existed	b. having existed	c. existing
5. a. was accompa- nied	b. has been accompained	c. had been accompained
6. a. was appearing	b. had appeared	c. appeared
7. a. was won	b. has been won	c. had been wc
8. a. was established	b. was being established	c. had been established
9. a. was discovered	b. were discovered	c. discovered

3. Сопоставьте части предложений.

1. You can't get inside the stadium	<input type="checkbox"/> f	a. unless you help me with the dessert.
2. You can't play badminton	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. if you don't have special equipment and clothes.
3. You can't go in for skiing	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. unless you have a racket and a shuttlecock.
4. It is impossible to live in this building	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. if you change your mind to finance it.
5. We won't have this picture	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. if the journey is so dangerous.
6. The expedition won't continue	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. if the gates are closed.
7. Mum won't agree to let me go with you	<input type="checkbox"/>	g. if we don't pay this money for it.
8. I won't cook dinner	<input type="checkbox"/>	h. unless it is repaired.

4. Сопоставьте словосочетания и подставьте их номера в предложения.

1. threatens	a. recognition
2. desperate	b. my cousin
3. pointed	c. to ruin
4. enormous	d. property
5. dusty	e. at the building
6. beyond	f. or hate
7. stare	g. attempt
8. either love	h. at people
9. despise	i. rug
10. private	j. castle

1. The incident threatens to ruin his chances in the election.
2. She _____ on the corner and said, "That's where I live."
3. The town has changed _____. It looks quite different now.
4. Sue is one of those people that you _____. You can't be indifferent to them.
5. I _____ for the way he treats his children. It's awfully disgraceful.
6. It is absolutely impolite to _____. It is equally impolite to point at them.
7. Mr Taylor decided to take the last _____ to save his company.
8. All his _____ has been arrested. He is not allowed to use anything.
9. Barbara gave me an old _____ and told me to clean it.
10. They have been living in their _____ with 24 rooms all their lives.

5. Выберите слово, подходящее по смыслу.

Basketball and Volleyball in the USA

The two most popular 1. *a* sports in the world today are American in 2. ____ – basketball and volleyball. The first basketball 3. ____ was played in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1891. It was 4. ____ as a game that would fill the 5. ____ period 6. ____ the football season (autumn) and the baseball season (spring and summer). Volleyball was also first played in Massachusetts in 1895. During the First and Second World Wars, American soldiers took volleyball with them 7. ____ and helped to 8. ____ it popular. Today, of course, both basketball and volleyball are played everywhere by men and women of all ages. They are especially popular as school sports. Professional basketball games in the US attract large 9. ____ of fans. Most of the important games are televised live.

1. a. participant	b. participate	c. participating
2. a. birth	b. history	c. origin
3. a. game	b. sport	c. play
4. a. discovered	b. invented	c. imagined
5. a. bare	b. empty	c. vacant
6. a. among	b. between	c. during
7. a. over sea	b. over seas	c. overseas
8. a. do	b. get	c. make
9. a. number	b. numbers	c. numerals