

Vocabulary

Choose the correct answers.

- 1 I _____ fencing when I was younger.
a played **b** did **c** went
- 2 My dad _____ cricket for the village team.
a played **b** did **c** went
- 3 She _____ surfing next summer.
a is playing **b** is doing **c** is going
- 4 Some of my friends _____ wrestling.
a play **b** do **c** go
- 5 We don't _____ badminton very often at our school.
a play **b** do **c** go

Read the sentences and complete the words.

- 1 She broke the _o____ r____d at the championships. She's brilliant!
- 2 Jim and I are going s_____n_ this winter. He's going to teach me some tricks.
- 3 He does w_i_____g and he's very strong.
- 4 I think n__b__ is like basketball, but the rules are different.
- 5 I lay on the surfboard and p____ed to the shore.
- 6 When my mum was at University, she went r____g on the river.
- 7 I love a__l____s, especially running and jumping.
- 8 He came first in the 200 m race and he's the world _a____n.
- 9 In the USA lots of kids play i__c____y in the winter.
- 10 I love watching winter sports on TV – especially the s__ j____.

Collocations: sports and games

3 Read the dialogue. Then complete the chart with the words below.

kick lose miss pass score win

Suzie I played netball yesterday.

Kevin How did it go?

Suzie Well, I scored 25 points, but we didn't win the game.

Kevin That's a shame. We lost our football match. And I missed a really easy goal!

Suzie Oh dear. What happened?

Kevin Dylan passed the ball to me and I kicked it straight at the goalkeeper!

Verbs	Nouns
compete in / lose / win	an event / a race
_____ / win	a match
lose / _____	a game
lose / _____ / win	a point
_____ / score	a goal
miss / score	a penalty
hit / _____ / _____ / throw	a ball

4 Complete the sentences with the verbs below. Change the verbs into the past simple if necessary.

compete hit lose miss score win win

1 He was so disappointed – he _____ a penalty in the last minute of the match!

2 In badminton, you need to _____ 21 points to _____ a game.

3 He isn't one of the biggest baseball players, but he _____ the ball very hard.

4 She _____ in her first rowing event when she was 43, and amazingly she _____ it by more than ten metres!

5 I'm pleased that we played well, but I'm sad that we _____ the match.

PREPARATION: Listening

Read the exam task and answer the following questions:

- What sport does Britney do?
- Does she take part in competitions?
- Does she train alone or with a partner?

EXAM STRATEGY

- Before you listen, read the exam task carefully and try to predict what you will hear in the recording.
- In this task you need to listen carefully for specific information in order to choose the correct options.
- The correct answer may not include the exact words from the recording, so you need to focus on the meaning of the options.

EXAM TASK – Listening

LISTENING 10 Listen to a radio programme called *Sports Today*. Choose the best answers, A, B or C, to questions 1–5.

- 1 What made Britney interested in figure-skating?
A ballet lessons
B seeing ice skating on TV
C her mum's encouragement
- 2 She started skating competitively
A to overcome her shyness.
B because she enjoyed it.
C to please her parents.
- 3 She has trained with her partner
A for twelve years.
B since she was five.
C since he joined her class.
- 4 Which is true about Britney?
A She is more hard-working than her partner.
B She trains almost every day.
C She has to encourage her partner to train.
- 5 The purpose of the interview is to
A introduce a young skater to the listeners.
B give listeners advice on how to take up figure-skating.
C tell listeners about the figure-skating championships.

EXAM STRATEGY: Reading

- Read the exam text quickly to get an idea of what it is about.
- Read each paragraph carefully and underline the key words.
- Now read the matching sentences and identify which one is the closest in meaning to the words you have underlined in each paragraph.

EXAM TASK – Reading

Read the online profiles. Match the information in the sentences (A–F) to the paragraphs (1–5). There is one sentence that you do not need.

Send us your profile and make new friends from all over the world!

1 Sally

My name's Sally and I'm hoping to hear from other science geeks like me! Don't get me wrong – I work hard at school and enjoy all the subjects, but I LOVE science! And maths! So if you think science rocks, please write to me. I'll write back straight away, because I'm a brilliant correspondent, too!

2 Mike

Hi, I'm Mike and I'm a huge footie fan! I play every day after school, I'm in the school team and I support Manchester United. But I follow the European leagues, too, and I'd love to get in contact with anyone from Europe who shares my passion for the sport.

3 Lucia

I'm Lucia – I'm half-Italian, and although I was born in London, that doesn't stop me from loving Italian food and everything else to do with my mother's country. I really hope to live there one day. Meanwhile, I'd love to practise my Italian, and you can practise your English!

4 Steve

Hi, there! I'm Steve – a nice, funny, generous (and, of course, modest!) guy from London. I'm an OK student, but a bit lazy about writing and schoolwork in general. However, when it comes to computers I'm not lazy at all – I love everything to do with them. And I love socialising. Therefore, I'm fantastic at chatting online! Email me now!

5 Stacey

I'm Stacey and I want to email YOU and find out what you like! I'm currently keen on computers, films, horse-riding, cooking (and eating!), but I also love trying out new things. I'm always busy, but will find the time to write. I'm sure we will have lots to chat about!

- A This person has got foreign relatives.
- B This person prefers certain subjects at school.
- C This person is very keen on one activity.
- D This person has many hobbies.
- E This person isn't good at writing emails.
- F This person has got good computer skills.