Reading and Listening Comprehension Practice 2a

Reading comprehension

Read the blog and decide if the statements are *R* (right) or *W* (wrong).

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Hi, readers. I've just got back from an amazing weekend. I was staying at my friend Tracey's house in Wales, UK. On Sunday, she drove me to a cold field in the middle of the countryside to see the World Bog Snorkelling Championship.

Bog snorkelling is not a very famous sport, but there were lots of fans there. The rules are very simple. You have to snorkel along a long narrow hole that is full of dirty water. Competitors swim 55 metres in one direction and then the same distance back. It's not a team sport, but both men and women can take part. The winner is the one who does it in the best time. On Sunday, the winner swam the distance in about 1 minute and 20 seconds.

I had a great time watching this unusual outdoor sport. But before you ask, no, I didn't try it, because I didn't have any equipment. You need a snorkel, goggles and flippers to go bog snorkelling - and somewhere to have a shower after! Tracey says that the next time I visit we can go bog snorkelling together. I'm looking forward to it!

Write *R* (right) or *W* (wrong)

1 Debbie took her friend to the World Bog Snorkelling Championship. _____
2 Each bog snorkeller swims for 110 metres. _____
3 Bog snorkellers compete in teams of men and women. _____
4 You don't need any equipment to go bog snorkelling. _____
5 Debbie and Tracey would like to go bog snorkelling. _____

Listening comprehension

Listen to an announcement about a cycling event and fill in the gaps in the poster.

13th Offerton Cycling Race

Date: 1) _____ , 5th August
- Main event starts at 1 pm outside the Town Hall.
- Finishes at Woodlands **2)** _____ .
- Junior event for **3)** _____ to 17-year-olds.
- Sign up at the Town Hall's **4)** _____

Activities: live music and **5)** _____ outside the Town Hall