

WHO IS YOUR HERO OR HEROINE?

A runner, a singer or an actor? Or your teacher or your mum or dad?

Millie, thirteen, from London



My heroine is Shanaze Reade. She's a champion BMX rider. She's twenty-three years old and she's from Crewe, in the north of England. She's got long, dark hair and brown eyes. She's pretty. She isn't very tall (1.72 metres) but she's strong. She's very fast on her bike and she can do jumps.

She hasn't got children but

she's got a brother and a sister. She's got hundreds of fans and she's helpful to other riders. I've got posters of Shanaze in my room. I've got a photo, too but I haven't got her autograph. And I haven't got tickets for her next competition but I can watch her on TV.

1 Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- Shanaze is from London.
- She's very tall and strong.
- She's very good at her sport.
- She's an only child. She's nice to other riders.

2 Answer these questions:

1. Who is Shanaze Reade?
2. Is she twenty years old?
3. How old is she?
4. Is she from England?
5. What nationality is she?
6. Is she tall?
7. Is she short?
8. Can she fly with her bike?
9. Can she do jumps with her bike?

Grammar: *have got/has got*

Look at the table.

| Affirmative | |
|---|-------------|
| I've got You've got He's got She's got It's got We've got They've got | brown eyes. |

3 Choose: 've got or 's got.

- 1 She _____ a brother and a sister.
- 2 I _____ dark hair.
- 3 You _____ a great bike.
- 4 We _____ a new TV.
- 5 He _____ a beard.
- 6 They _____ fifty CDs.
- 7 She _____ three children.
- 8 My school is new. It _____ two .

Grammar: *haven't got/hasn't got*

| Negative | |
|--|------------|
| I haven't got You haven't got He hasn't got She hasn't got It hasn't got We haven't got They haven't got | long hair. |

4 Practice : Use the words to write negative sentences.

- 1 I / long hair I **haven't got** long hair.
- 2 my dad/a beard
- 3 I / ten cousins
- 4 my school / music room
- 5 my friends and I / English homework
- 6 my best friend / green eyes

5 Invent your own avatar. Describe your appearance and what you can do. Use the ideas in the table or your own ideas.

My name's Sam. I've got wings, I can fly.

| I've got ... | I can ... |
|---|---|
|  wings |  fly |
|  X-ray eyes |  see through things |
|  a magic ring |  be invisible |
|  a time machine |  travel through time |
