

Listening for Main Ideas. Listen to the conversation about rock climbing.

1. What is the woman's attitude toward rock climbing?
 - a. She wishes she had learned how to do it.
 - b. She's concerned that it's dangerous.
 - c. She thinks she'd be good at it.
2. Why did the man start rock climbing?
 - a. For exercise
 - b. For excitement
 - c. To meet people
3. Which of these versions of rock climbing is the most difficult?
 - a. Bouldering
 - b. Traditional rock climbing
 - c. Free solo climbing
4. Which statement about rock climbing accidents would the man agree with?
 - a. Fewer people should go rock climbing.
 - b. Taking some risks is part of rock climbing.
 - c. Climbing should be done in climbing gyms.

Listening for Details. Listen again. Match each version of rock climbing with the correct description below.

- a. indoor climbing b. bouldering c. traditional rock climbing d. free solo climbing

- _____ 1. People climb on large rocks as high as 16 feet.
_____ 2. It takes place in climbing gyms.
_____ 3. People don't use ropes at all.
_____ 4. It requires lots of equipment.

Listen again. Then read the statements. Circle **T** for *true* or **F** for *false*.

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| 1. A half an hour of jogging is equivalent to about an hour of rock climbing. | T | F |
| 2. There are thousands of climbing gyms around the world. | T | F |
| 3. There was a rock climbing accident in Yosemite last year. | T | F |
| 4. Free solo climbing is no longer allowed in Yosemite. | T | F |
| 5. There is one death in every 320,000 climbs. | T | F |
| 6. Between 1990 and 2007, 40,000 people died in rock climbing accidents. | T | F |
| 7. Stan tries to be very careful when he is climbing. | T | F |
| 8. Stan has decided to give up rock climbing. | T | F |