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VIDEO

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USE OF ENGLISH

so, too, neither/nor, not either

I can respond to news and opinion using so, too, not ... either and neither ... nor.

- 1 **1.32** Listen to dialogues 1–5 about sports and match them with photos A–E. Then answer the questions.
- What was the final score in the match?
 - What are the players doing after the game?
 - What do the man and woman find surprising about this sport?
 - In which sports do women still get paid less than men?
 - What do the two friends both decide to join?

- 2 **1.32** Complete the exchanges with the correct auxiliary. Then listen again and check.

- We had so many chances. → So _____ they!
- I don't aim at your head. → Neither _____!!
- I find this really boring. → Really? I _____.
- I can't think of any women drivers. → I _____ either.
- I've never thought about it. → Nor _____ I.
- He's one of the best players in the country.
→ So _____ Steph Houghton.
- I couldn't do it. → No, neither _____ I.
- I'd love to be able to run properly. → I _____ too.

- 3 Read the LANGUAGE FOCUS. Then match statements 1–6 with replies a–f.

LANGUAGE FOCUS

so, too, neither/nor, not either

- To say that something is the same or agree with a positive statement, use the following:
so + auxiliary/modal verb + subject or **subject + auxiliary/modal verb + too**.
He is one of the best players in the country. → So is Steph Houghton./Steph Houghton is too.
You serve so fast! → So do you./You do too.
- To say something is the same or agree with a negative statement, use the following:
neither/nor + auxiliary/modal verb + subject or **subject + auxiliary/modal verb + either**.
I can't think of any women drivers. → Neither can I./I can't either.
We didn't score a single goal. → Nor did they./They didn't either.
- To say something is different, or disagree with a statement, use the following:
I find this really boring. → Really? I don't.
I never had the chance to do go-karting. → Oh, I did.

- Our neighbours do a lot of sport.
- My mum can't stand watching football on TV.
- I'd love to have a go in a Formula One car.
- I've played for the school team several times.
- My brother couldn't ride a bike until he was eight.
- My best friend is going to take up running.

- a So am I. c So have I. e Really? I wouldn't.
b I couldn't either. d Ours do too. f Nor can mine.

- 4 **SPEAKING** Take it in turns to read statements 1–6. Give your own replies.



Marathon



Hockey



Motor racing



Football



Tennis

- 5 **USE OF ENGLISH** Choose the correct response, A, B or C.

- X: I must do more exercise. Y: _____
A Yes, I must too. B So do I.
C Really? I don't.
- X: I've never been to a football match.
Y: _____
A Nor do I. B Neither have I.
C I didn't either.
- X: My parents are very sporty. Y: _____
A Really? Mine aren't. B Mine aren't either.
C Nor are mine.
- X: My local sports centre hasn't got a sauna.
Y: _____
A Mine hasn't either. B Oh, mine hasn't.
C Mine too.
- X: We went swimming yesterday. Y: _____
A Oh, we did. B So we did.
C So did we.

- 6 Complete the sentences to make them true for you.

- I'd like to ...
- I'm interested in ...
- I can't ...
- I used to ...
- I don't mind ...
- I should ...

- 7 **SPEAKING** Take it in turns to listen to your partner's sentences and respond. How similar are you?

FOCUS VLOG 6.8 About sport

8 Watch the Focus Vlog. For the worksheet, go to page 119.

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