

Dear Jon and Abby,

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Hi you two! I hope this finds you well. I am doing ok here at soccer camp in Northern Ontario, but I want to tell you a little bit about what has happened these last few weeks.

Camp has been pretty great! When I first got here, I wasn't having much fun because I couldn't get any sleep. The tent is so thin, so I can hear all the noises outside all night, the showers are cold and my clothes are always dirty and my socks are always wet! I have gotten used to the noises at night and the showers are refreshing after a long, hot day of activities.

However, the worst part of this trip isn't nature. Some of the campers aren't very nice. I'm starting to think they might have a problem with me because I am the only girl here. YES! Can you believe it? There are about 35 boys and me. I am good, maybe better at the sports activities that we do each day, but what should I do? - Pretend to play badly? I thought that at our age, for sure these boys wouldn't be so angry that a girl is better than them in soccer. They really need to learn how to treat me equally and I have told the camp counselors, but nothing has changed.

We have a really big tournament coming up next week against the camp in the next town. The coaches have a lot of complaints from parents too that they don't want me to play in the tournament. This is very unfair. I am more than capable of doing it. Last week, we had a practice again, and the coach put me as defense. The team was not happy! Guess how many goals the other team was able to get? ZERO. That's right. I was awesome! I played great! If the coach chooses not to put me in the tournament, I know our team will lose.

Wish me luck,



Jackie Alens

Comprehension Questions:

1. Where is sender writing from?

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| a) A soccer camp in Northern Ontario | b) A school in the city |
| c) A beach resort in the tropics | d) A camping trip in space |

2. Why was the sender not having much fun at the camp? _____

3. The letter writer believes the worst part of the trip is the nature.

TRUE

FALSE

4. How many campers are there in total, including the letter writer?

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| a) 35 | b) 36 |
| c) 34 | d) 37 |

5. Why does the sender believe some of the campers might have a problem with her?

- a) Because she is the only girl at the camp
- b) Because she is the youngest camper
- c) Because she is not good at sports
- d) Because she is not from the same town

6. The sender told the camp counselors her problem?

TRUE

FALSE

7. The coaches have received complaints from parents about the letter writer participating in the tournament.

TRUE

FALSE

8. What position did the coach give to the sender during the practice?

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| a) Forward | b) Goalkeeper |
| c) Defense | d) Midfielder |

9. How did the team perform with the letter writer playing defense during the practice?

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| a) They lost the game | b) They tied the game |
| c) They won the game | d) They did not play a game |

10. According to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, which right does the letter talk about?

- a) Freedom of religion
- b) Equality rights
- c) Language rights
- d) Mobility rights

11. Explain your answer the #10. _____

12. How does the sender feel about their chances in future games?

- a) Confident
- b) Uncertain
- c) Nervous
- d) Bored

13. According to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, what right or freedom makes sure people cannot be discriminated against based on characteristics like gender or race?

- a) Right to life, liberty, and security of the person
- b) Equality rights
- c) Freedom of expression
- d) Right to be secure against unreasonable search or seizure

14. How does the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms support the senders wish to participate in the tournament even after others don't want her to?

- a) By guaranteeing freedom of association
- b) By protecting the right to peaceful assembly
- c) By upholding the right to participate in cultural activities
- d) By ensuring equality rights and protection from discrimination