

# 1B Are you finding it difficult?

## 1 GRAMMAR Questions

a Underline the correct words to complete the conversation.

**FABIO** Hi, there. <sup>1</sup>You have / Have you got five minutes?

**GABRIELLA** Sure, <sup>2</sup>what / what did you want to talk to me about?

**FABIO** Well, I'm doing a triathlon next month. <sup>3</sup>Didn't / Weren't you read my post?

**GABRIELLA** No, I haven't seen it. A triathlon, wow! <sup>4</sup>What for? / For what? It sounds really tough!

**FABIO** It's not easy, yeah, swimming, cycling, then running.

**GABRIELLA** <sup>5</sup>What / Which of those is the most difficult?

**FABIO** All of them! Er, <sup>6</sup>weren't / didn't you a good swimmer once?

**GABRIELLA** Yeah, once. What are you looking at me like <sup>7</sup>that for / for that?

**FABIO** Do you think <sup>8</sup>could you / you could coach me?

**GABRIELLA** I don't know <sup>9</sup>whether / what I've got enough time. <sup>10</sup>Can / Shall I think about it and phone you later?

**FABIO** No problem. That's great, I'll swim a lot faster with your help.

**GABRIELLA** Who <sup>11</sup>knows / does know? You might win!

b  13 Listen and check.

c Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

- a / want / do / marathon / to / you / run ?  
Do you want to run a marathon?
- to / this / going / is / do / why / she ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- the / register / who / competition / need to / for / doesn't ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- giving / why / our / aren't / tickets / they / us ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- of / which / to do / would you / the challenges / like ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- have / ever done / the most / you / difficult / what is / thing ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- for / did / hard training / what / this / we do / all ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- the / happened / of / what / at / end / the game ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- have / think we / of / a chance / you / do / winning ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- who / your / website / designed ?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 2 VOCABULARY Trying and succeeding

a Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. There is one extra phrase you do not need.

succeed in give up keep to keep it up  
manage to try out work-out



1 Sandra likes to work out at the gym in her lunch break.



2 Simon wants to \_\_\_\_\_ a new recipe for lemon cake.



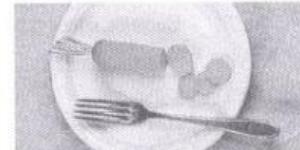
3 We really need to \_\_\_\_\_ fast food.



4 Charlie's kids told him to \_\_\_\_\_.



5 The Smiths didn't \_\_\_\_\_ assemble their kitchen table.



6 It won't be easy to \_\_\_\_\_ this diet.

b Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box.

give up ~~have a go~~ keep to keep it up make an effort  
manage to successfully complete try out work out

- I'd like to have a go at snowboarding, but I'm afraid of falling and breaking something.
- To \_\_\_\_\_ the course, you need to pass all four modules.
- If you \_\_\_\_\_ this training programme, you'll get back in shape very quickly.
- I play tennis on Saturdays and I also \_\_\_\_\_ once or twice a week in a local gym.
- My car is in the garage and I don't know if they will \_\_\_\_\_ repair it by Monday.
- Fred went sailing with me twice and he's terrible at it, but he doesn't want to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Your writing has improved a lot this semester so \_\_\_\_\_.
- Would you like to \_\_\_\_\_ the new version of the software, sir?
- I know Jade isn't interested in the project, but she could at least \_\_\_\_\_ to get involved.