Gateway to Maturita B1+ unit 7

Listening p. 90

Read the sentences about the origin of basketball. Then listen and decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F).

1.	Basketball was invented before 1900.	T	F
2.	The inventor of basketball was born in the US.	T	F
3.	The inventor of basketball was a PE teacher.	T	F
4.	At first, basketball was an outdoor sport.	T	F
5.	There were originally nine people in each basketball team.	T	F
6.	Originally, they used a football to play basketball.	T	F
7.	The inventor of basketball wrote 15 rules for the game.	T	F
8.	Basketball became an Olympic sport in 1936.	T	F

Listen again and answer the questions.

1. How long did James Naismith have to invent basketball?

2. Why did Naismith make basketball an indoor sport?

3. What was the problem with the first baskets that they used?

4. How long did a basketball match originally last in total, including the break?

5. After becoming popular in YMCA centres, where did basketball become popular?

6. What were Naismith´s main objectives?

What about you?

Is basketball one of your favourite sports? Are you a member of some basketball club?

Find what YMCA centre is.

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