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FIRST WRITTEN EXAM (TIME ZONES 4) **Level: 3RD YEAR**

PART I

READING COMPREHENSION

CLIMBING TO THE TOP

What do Olympic champions do when they retire from their sport? Some try television presenting, others become coaches and some even start practicing new sports. But of this last group, how many people have been successful?

Victoria Pendleton is a British Olympic cycling champion, the winner of two gold medals. Since she retired, she's appeared in a dance competition on TV, advertised shampoo and even designed a range of bikes. But her next step surprised everyone.

In 2015, Victoria decided to try horse riding, and since then, she has competed in several big races! She took the challenge of learning to ride in one year, and then took part in a famous horse race at the Cheltenham Festival in England.

Olympic cyclists love moving fast, and Victoria soon developed a passion for her new sport. She picked it up quickly and was soon taking on big jumps. Six months after she began her training, she came second in a race. And then, just a few weeks before the big race at Cheltenham, she won for the first time.

At Cheltenham, no one expected Victoria to do well. For Victoria herself, simply being part of the race was enough for her. But she surprised everyone by coming fifth and described it as one of the greatest achievements of her life.

1. **Choose the correct option.**

The article is about...

a) Someone who started doing something new.
b) Olympic athletes who can't do sport any more.
c) The dangers of horse racing.

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2. **Choose the correct option.**

a) Victoria **has / still hasn't** stopped cycling in competitions.

b) Victoria **has / has never** won a gold medal.

c) Since she stopped cycling, Victoria **hasn't done anything / has done lots of things.**

d) Victoria learnt horse riding **easily / slowly**.

e) Victoria **has already won a race / hasn't won any races yet.**

f) Victoria **didn't participate / took part** in the race at Cheltenham

3. **Are these sentences true or false?**

a) Paragraph 1 describes three options for Olympic athletes when they retire. When Victoria retired, she decided to start a new sport.

True False

b) Victoria learnt to ride a horse in half a year.

True False

c) At the end of that period Victoria raced at the Cheltenham Festival

True False

d) Victoria doesn't like moving fast when she rides a horse

True False

e) She nearly came fifth at the Cheltenham Festival

True False

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LISTENING

Complete the sentences with the words you hear.

1. Have you ever _____ a selfie?
2. Has your teacher ever _____ you a pop quiz?
3. Have you ever _____ to a tennis match?
4. Have you ever _____ Korean food?
5. Have you ever _____ a blog post?
6. Have you ever _____ an elephant?

WRITING

Write a biography. Write about a famous athlete or adventurer. (Al least 75 words)

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PART II

1) **Write the correct word under each picture. (Use GO – PLAY – DO)**

Write sentences using the <u>present perfect simple & continuous</u>.

2) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE

A- *I have lived in this flat since I moved here. (LIVE)*

B- _____ you _____ anyone famous when you were in New York? (SEE)

C- It _____ on our holiday so far. (NOT/RAIN)

D- She loves animals, but she _____ a pet. (NEVER/HAVE).

E- My laptop _____ working last week so I'm using the computers in the office until it's fixed. (STOP)

F- We _____ a great new coffee shop near our flat. (JUST/DISCOVER)

3) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

A- *I have been writing five emails today. (WRITE)*

B- Sorry the kitchen's a mess. Ollie _____. (COOK)

E- They've been playing for forty minutes but no one _____ a goal yet. (SCORE)

F- I really need a break! I _____ all morning! (REVISE)

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