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1 This is a profile of Mickey Bushell, a talented teen. Has he won any medals or awards? To answer the question, listen and read the article.

Record breaker



Mickey Bushell is from Telford, in the north of England. He was born on 8th June 1990 and is a wheelchair track and road racer. He races distances from 100 metres to 8 miles. He started racing in 2001 and, when he was only 12, he won the 11-13 category at the London Mini Marathon. Since then, Mickey has won numerous medals at competitions all over the world. His talent and determination have also helped him to break many records.

In 2005 he broke the UK Under 17 100 metre record with a time of 16.6 seconds. Then, in 2007, he broke the same record in the Under 20 category with a time of 16.3 seconds. Mickey has also won many awards and, in 2006, he won the 'Young Disabled Sportsperson of the Year' award. His most recent award was a spectacular silver medal in the 100 metres event at the Beijing Paralimpic Games in 2008.

Mickey says it's important to be determined, but the most important thing is to be passionate about what you do. With passion, you can overcome all problems and do anything you want.

When he isn't training or participating in events, Mickey enjoys watching sports on TV, including martial arts like UFC and K-1 Boxing. He also enjoys The Simpsons, playing with his Xbox and eating spaghetti with bacon and tomato sauce.

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Comprehension

2 **Match the dates to the events. Then in pairs, compare your answers.**

	[D]	1990	**A** won the 'Young Disabled Sportsperson of the Year' award
1	[ ]	2001	**B** broke Under 17 record
2	[ ]	2005	**C** broke Under 20 record
3	[ ]	2006	**D** was born
4	[ ]	2007	**E** won the silver medal
5	[ ]	2008	**F** started racing

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3 **Read the article again to complete this short summary.**

Mickey Bushell is from the *north* of England. He is a wheelchair track and road racer, racing distances from 100 m to 8 (1) _____. Mickey started racing in London when he was (2) _____. He broke records in 2005 and in (3) _____. He thinks the most important thing in sport is to be (4) _____. In his free time he enjoys (5) _____ sports on TV and (6) _____ spaghetti.

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