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GLOBAL STAGE 4 – EXTENSIVE READING

Read the text about the Olympic Games 2020 and do the exercises.

Mixed-gender events added to 2020 Olympics



There will be more mixed-gender events and more women at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. The International Olympic Committee (IOC) said men and women would **compete** together in archery, athletics, judo, sailing, shooting, swimming, table tennis, and triathlon. There will be a 4x400m mixed relay in athletics and a 4x100m mixed relay in swimming. British Olympics swimming **champion** Adam Peaty told the BBC that having mixed events in Tokyo would make the Olympics "more fun". He said "It's something that would make things a little bit more **fun**….It's great to mix things up from what they've been for so long as it adds a little spice and [mixedevents] are great to watch.

The IOC also announced that there would be more sports at the Tokyo Olympics. IOC president Thomas Bach said the Games will be "more youthful, more urban and include more women". Not everyone is happy with the introduction of the new events. Some people said it was **wrong** to include urban sports like skateboarding, 3-on-3 basketball, sport climbing and BMX freestyle. These are to try and get more young people to watch the Games. Having newer sports means there will be fewer athletes in more traditional events like weightlifting and wrestling. Tokyo will be the most gender-balanced Olympics **ever**. Women will make up 48.8 per cent of athletes who will compete at the Games.

A) Match the words from the text with their synonyms:

1. compete	a. not right
2. champion	b. until now
3. fun	c. take part
4. wrong	d. gold medalist
5. ever	e. excitement

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B) Choose the correct option:

1) What does IOC mean?
a) Internal Olympic Committee
b) International Olympic Committee
c) International Olympic Commission
d) Internal Olympics Commission

2) What mixed relay will there be in athletics?
a) 4x100m
b) 1x400m
c) 1x100m
d) 4x400m

3) In what sport did Adam Peaty win a gold medal?
a) BMX freestyle
b) athletics
c) swimming
d) judo

4) What did Adam Peaty say would be "more fun"?
a) mixed events
b) skateboarding
c) a little bit
d) the BBC

5) Who is Thomas Bach?
a) IOC president
b) an Olympics swimming champion
c) a BMX freestyler
d) a BBC journalist

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