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SKATEBOARDING EXPERIENCE:

"Buckled-Up" took place at Chepesent Skatepark in San José and featured skaters of ages from 8 to 31 on a two-weekend event. This first Costa Rican skating competition was held for beginner and pre-expert levels.

The first day of competition was fun with a lot of great tricks pulled off by the beginner level as well as the pre-expert level skaters. The following Sunday was from the expert and intermediate levels. National and international skaters from American countries participated in the competition. Simón Flores, Daniel Salazar, and Clarence Coto were among the expert skaters

That event was also the first time there was an intermediate-level division for skaters who are no longer beginners, but who are not yet at the pre-expert level. Since then, Chepesent has held some demos featuring pro-skaters from the United States.

Nowadays skateboarding has grown so much and with greater style. Skaters gather and make their own amateur teams. They meet and hang out at homes or in specialized stores to watch videos in order to develop new skills. Then, they go out and try out their own tricks which they record using their cell phones.

1- The skateboarding competition was an event for _____.

- a. under eight aged
- b. over thirty-one aged
- c. expert and pre-expert
- d. eight to thirty-one aged

2. Clarence Coto signed as a (n) _____ skater.

- a. expert
- b. beginner
- c. pre-expert
- d. intermediate

3. The first national skating competition was known as _____.

- a. Chepesent
- b. Buckled -up
- c. Simón Flores

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4. On the first day of competition, _____ showed their abilities.

- a. The intermediate-level division skaters
- b. Beginners and pre-experts
- c. Flores, Salazar and Coto
- d. Experts and intermediate