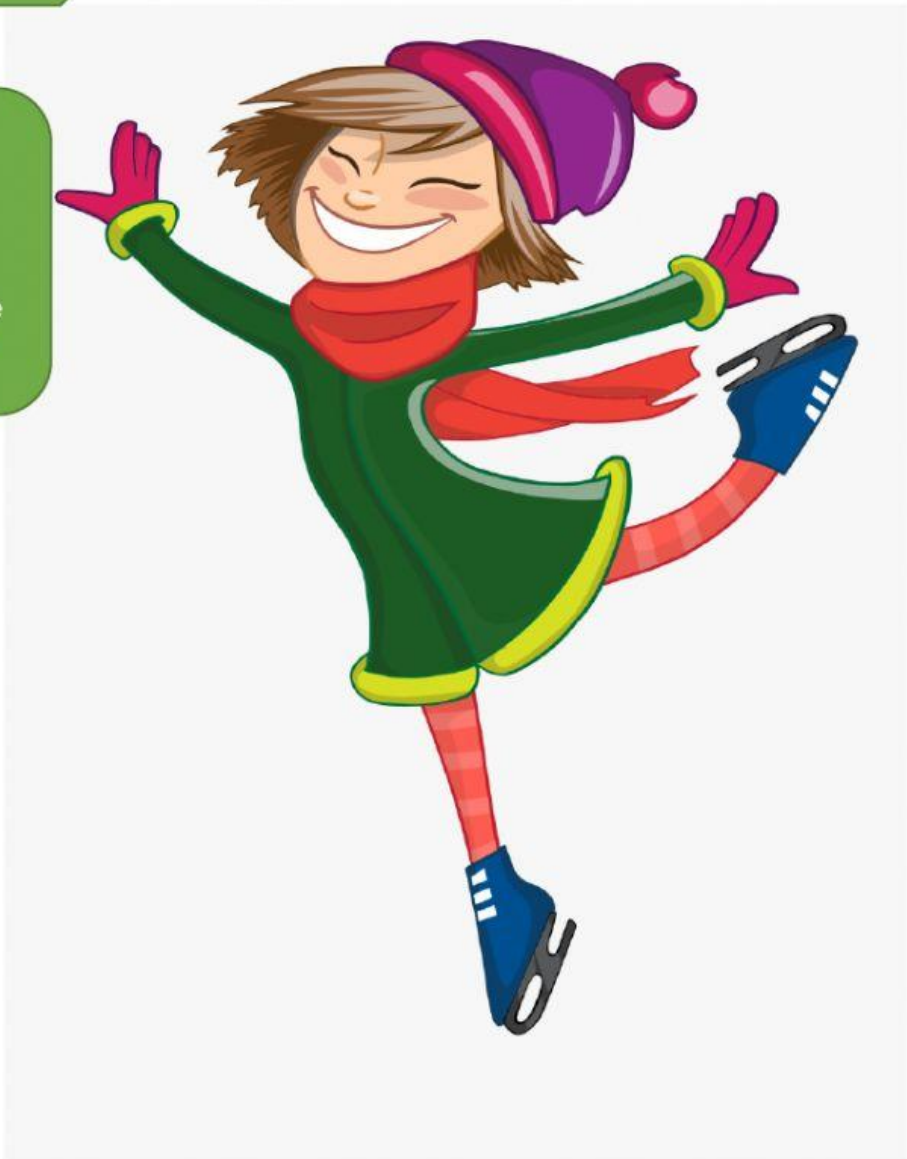
Reading and Use of English: PART 1

- In Reading and Use of English Part 1, you read a text of 150-160 words.
- You fill in the gaps with the best option, A, B, C or D



1. YOU ARE GOING TO READ AN EXTRACT FROM A BLOG BY A TEENAGER ABOUT ICE SKATING. BEFORE YOU READ, WHAT DO YOU THINK PEOPLE MOST ENJOY ABOUT ICE SKATING?

2. READ THE EXTRACT QUICKLY TO FIND OUT HOW THE WRITER BECAME INTERESTED IN ICE SKATING.

Ice Skating- My Passion

I first (0)..**A**.. ice skating when I was eight years old. I remember seeing a poster at my local leisure centre (1)..... ice-skating lessons and begged my dad to (2)..... me have a go. He agreed (3).....I promised not to break any bones, and the following week, I turned up at the ice rink for my first lesson. I remember feeling a bit unsteady at first, but I soon got used to the ice underneath my feet and was thrilled by the (4)..... of sliding across the ice. Later, my instructor taught me how to do different turns and jumps. I was (5) .....of falling at first, but I picked it up quite quickly and then it felt so exciting! I soon became much more confident about (6)..... risks. Now I train at the ice rink twice a week and have taken part in several national contests. Next year, I am hoping to (7) .....an international event in Switzerland. I have also kept the promise I (8) .....to my dad- I have never fallen and injured myself while ice skating!

READ THE EXTRACT AGAIN AND DECIDE WHICH ANSWER (A, B, C OR D) BEST FITS EACH GAP. THERE'S AN EXAMPLE AT THE BEGINNING.

0	A) took up	B) played	C) thought	D) came
1	A) taking	B) advertising	C) giving	D) teaching
2	A) allow	B) let	C) permit	D) enable
3	A) as long as	B) as soon as	C) as far as	D) as much as
4	A) emotion	B) attention	C) feeling	D) touch
5	A) worried	B) alarmed	C) anxious	D) scared
6	A) doing	B) taking	C) making	D) having
7	A) take	B) make	C) enter	D) participate
8	A) made	B) did	C) said	D) told