

The London Marathon

In 1979, two British men called John Disley and Chris Brasher **(1)**..... to run the New York Marathon. This 42-kilometre race goes through the city, past many of its famous tourist sights. Disley and Brasher found that it was very different from marathons in the UK.

At that **(2)**..... in the UK, nobody was interested in marathons, but in New York, there were large **(3)**..... of people watching. Afterwards, the two men had the **(4)**..... of starting a similar race in London.

The first London Marathon was in 1981, and over six thousand runners **(5)**..... part. Since then, the race has happened every year, and has become popular with runners from all over the world. Over a million people have completed it, and it is **(6)**..... on TV in nearly 200 countries.

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| 1 | A thought | B said | C decided |
| 2 | A year | B day | C time |
| 3 | A members | B crowds | C visitors |
| 4 | A idea | B answer | C fact |
| 5 | A stayed | B took | C made |
| 6 | A shown | B made | C held |