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A question of sport

VOCABULARY
Sports | Sportspeople | Collocations: *score a goal, win a match*, etc. | Sports competitions | Interests and hobbies: collocations with *go, do* and *play*

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6.1 VOCABULARY Sports

I can talk about sports and sportspeople.

1 ● **Match pictures A–J with words 1–10.**

1 [E] basketball
2 [ ] ice hockey
3 [ ] football
4 [ ] archery
5 [ ] judo
6 [ ] baseball
7 [ ] running
8 [ ] tennis
9 [ ] swimming
10 [ ] cycling

2 ●● **Read the descriptions and write the sports.**

1 You stand a long way from a circle and try to hit it. *archery*
2 You can do this in the sea or in a pool. _____
3 You skate and push something around with a stick. _____
4 You wear a white jacket and trousers and different coloured belts. _____
5 People who are very tall are good at this because you need to jump high. _____
6 You do this sport in the town or the country and wear a special hat. _____

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3 ● **What do we call the people who do these sports?**

1 football *a player*
2 running _____
3 cycling _____
4 tennis _____
5 ice hockey _____
6 basketball _____
7 swimming _____
8 baseball _____

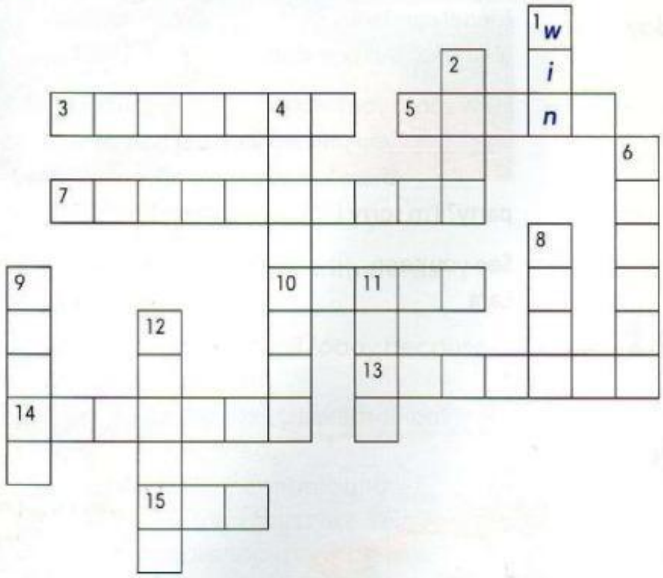
4 ● WORD FRIENDS **Choose the correct option.**

1 *win* / *score* / *play* a goal
2 *win* / *score* / *play* a sport
3 *win* / *score* / *play* a race
4 *win* / *score* / *play* a medal
5 *win* / *score* / *play* a point

5 ●● WORD FRIENDS **Choose the correct option.**

1 How many sports do you *score* / *play*?
2 Tom usually plays a football *point* / *match* on Saturdays.
3 I love this photo. It's the 100 metres and Tom is *scoring* / *winning* his race.
4 The USA always *play* / *win* a lot of medals at the Olympic Games.
5 This is a really strange sport! How do you score a *race* / *point*?
6 Bale regularly *plays* / *scores* goals for his football team.
7 We hope to *win* / *score* lots of matches this year and go into the national competition.

6 ●● **Complete the crossword.**



Across

3 A _____ rides a bike.
5 We need one more _____ to win the table tennis game.
7 Baseball isn't an _____ sport.
10 On Saturday there's a football _____ between our school and yours.
13 In _____, you stand very still and use your arms.
14 You need special shoes for _____ on roads.
15 _____ is frozen water and people can do sports on it.

Down

1 We can _____ the match today! I'm sure!
2 When there's a _____ in a football match, everyone shouts!
4 I love _____ in the sea but we don't live near the seaside.
6 Ice _____ is a popular sport in cold countries.
8 The _____ is only ten seconds – you must run very fast!
9 In judo, you _____ a point when you throw your opponent to the floor.
11 There are eleven players in a football _____.
12 Wimbledon is a very famous _____ competition.

7 ●●● **Complete the dialogue with one word in each gap.**

Angie: Do you still [1]*play* football?
Brian: Yes, I'm in the school [2]_____. We have a [3]_____ every week.
Angie: Great! Do you usually [4]_____?
Brian: Yes, we're good! But I don't usually [5]_____ goals because my job is to stop the other team! Why don't you come to practice? You can play too.
Angie: No, thanks. I prefer [6]_____ sports because I can choose my time to practise. And I'm not very good at playing with other people! I love [7]_____, but at the moment my bike's broken.
Brian: So, you're a [8]_____. Do you do competitions?
Angie: Sometimes. There's a [9]_____ across the hills and through the town every summer. I do that. It's fun – and I usually win!

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6.2 GRAMMAR *was/were*

I can use *was/were* to talk about events in the past.

1 ● **Choose the correct option.**

1 I (was) / were born in 2000.
2 You *was* / *were* in Canada in 2015.
3 Tim *was* / *were* in a hockey team last year.
4 The film *was* / *were* very boring.
5 We *was* / *were* tired.
6 The basketball players *was* / *were* tall and fast.
7 My mum *was* / *were* very good at sports.

2 ● **Complete the sentences with *was* or *were*.**

1 Jack *was* the best player in the team last month.
2 My friends, Susie and Mike, _____ in London last weekend.
3 1D's music _____ popular last year.
4 I know you! You _____ at Luke's party on Friday.
5 Katy and I were in the park today and Izzy _____ there with her boyfriend.
6 Bruno's café _____ the cheapest café in town last year but it isn't now.
7 Our teacher _____ in the classroom before us today.
8 I _____ at home all day yesterday.

3 ●● **Correct the sentences. Make the underlined parts negative.**

1 I was at school yesterday because I was at the dentist's.
I wasn't at school
2 There was any milk in the fridge this morning, so no breakfast!
_____
3 There were many people at the match yesterday and it was very quiet.
_____
4 My answers were correct and the teacher was happy! She was very angry.
_____
5 Jim's birthday party was on Saturday. It was on Friday.
_____
6 Last time the coffee here was very good and the biscuits were dry. Let's try something else.
_____
7 The football players were very fit and the result was very good. In fact, it was terrible!
_____
8 My brother and I were at home yesterday morning. We were at the sports centre.
_____

4 ●● **Order the words to make questions.**

1 match / the / Friday / football / was / exciting / on / ?
Was the football match on Friday exciting?
2 you / where / yesterday / were / ?
_____
3 your / Year 9 / teacher / was / in / who / ?
_____
4 you / team / were / in / last / year / the / ?
_____
5 dad / was / good / student / a / your / ?
_____
6 was / favourite / which / year / film / last / your / ?
_____

5 ●●● **Complete the email with the correct form of *was* or *were*.**

To: david@fastmessage.com

Hi David,

Our holiday [1] *was* fantastic. We [2] _____ in a small town in Spain and the sea [3] _____ very near. Our hotel [4] _____ very big – only ten rooms – so there [5] _____ crowds of people at meal times and the beach [6] _____ nice and quiet. The weather [7] _____ lovely and very hot! I [8] _____ in the water a lot of the time. But some of the staff [9] _____ very friendly and they [10] _____ always too busy to answer our questions.

How about you? How [11] _____ your exams? [12] _____ you pleased with the results? And [13] _____ there lots of people at your birthday party? I'm sorry I [14] _____ there!

See you soon,
Lara

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6.3 READING and VOCABULARY — A young sports star

I can find specific detail in a text and talk about places to play sport.

1 Look at the photos and complete the words.

1 basketball co u r t

2 football f_ _ _ / football p_ _ _ _

3 tennis c_ _ _ _

4 swimming p_ _ _

5 running t_ _ _

2 Complete the sentences with words from Exercise 1.

1 We can't play football today because the *field* is too wet!
2 I really want to play basketball but the _____ is closed.
3 I'm at the leisure centre but the _____ is full. I don't like swimming when there are too many people.
4 Come to the _____ after school and we can do some running training.
5 Andy is playing tennis on _____ number 2. We can watch him.

3 Read the text and complete the information below.

Perfect!

Gymnastics is a very popular sport. Millions of people watch it on TV and lots of children do gymnastics at school and in clubs. One of the most famous gymnasts ever is a young gymnast from Romania: Nadia Comaneci.

Nadia is Romanian and she was born in 1961. Today Nadia is a wife and mother but when she was only fourteen years old, she was the best gymnast in the world. At the Summer Olympic Games in Montreal, Canada in 1976, she was really amazing. She was the first Romanian gymnast to win the all-round title, for all the different gymnastic events. She was also the youngest in the world. Now the age rules are different and gymnasts can't compete under the age of sixteen. So the record is Nadia's for ever!

She was also amazing in 1976 for another reason. She was the first gymnast to score a perfect 10.00. It was her first event, the uneven bars. On the scoreboard after her thirty-second routine, the score was 1.00. Everyone was confused. Why was it only 1.00? She was fantastic! It was because the scoreboard only had three numbers. For example, 9.75 was possible, but not 10.00! After this, at the same Olympics, Nadia's score was 10.00 for six more events. She was a real star. Perfect Nadia!

Name: [1] *Nadia Comaneci*
Nationality: [2] _____
Year she was born: [3] _____
Year, country, town of Summer Olympics: [4] _____, [5] _____, [6] _____
First event: [7] _____
Score on scoreboard: [8] _____
Real score: [9] _____
Number of perfect scores: [10] _____

4 Read the text again. Mark the sentences ✓ (right), ✗ (wrong) or ? (doesn't say).

1 ☐ Nadia is married today.
2 ☐ She was sixteen at the Montreal Olympics.
3 ☐ In 1976 the age limit for gymnasts was lower than today.
4 ☐ Her first routine was one minute long.
5 ☐ The scoreboard was wrong because it was broken.
6 ☐ Nadia has gold medals from two Olympic Games.

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6.4 GRAMMAR Past Simple affirmative (regular and irregular verbs)

I can use the Past Simple to talk about events in the past.

OUT of class

1 Complete the sentences with the words below.

on poor ~~shot~~ wrong

1 Good *shot*! You scored a goal!
2 I want to go to the concert. When's it _____?
3 A: I can't come out. I've got lots of homework.
B: _____ you!
4 A: What's _____?
B: We lost the match.

2 ● Look at the pictures and complete the sentences. Use the Past Simple form of the verbs below.

~~call~~ email jog kiss paint play

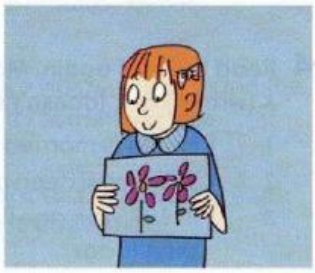
1 He *called* me at 11.30 last night.

2 We _____ along the road this morning.

3 They _____ cards after dinner.

4 She _____ me on the train.

5 I _____ my baby sister before school.



6 Erin _____ a picture of flowers at school.

3 ●● Find and correct the mistakes in the sentences. Two sentences are correct.

1 Paul runned a marathon last weekend.
Paul ran a marathon last weekend.
2 I tryed to make an omelette but it was terrible.
_____
3 In class yesterday we made a poster for the school play.
_____
4 Janine walkd to school this morning.
_____
5 We went to the park after school and I taked some photographs on my phone.
_____
6 Katy founded an old exercise book from Year 5.
_____
7 I know I put the biscuits on this shelf. Where are they?
_____

4 ●●● Complete the blog with the Past Simple form of the verbs below.

cook do eat ~~get up~~ go have listen play relax see take watch

myblog

What an excellent weekend! On Saturday morning I [1] *got up* very late because I was so tired. Then, after breakfast – my favourite full English – Tony and I [2] _____ to the leisure centre. It's amazing! There's a big pool and lots of courts. We [3] _____ tennis and then we [4] _____ a volleyball match for half an hour. The players were very fast and very good. Too energetic for me! And in the evening Tony [5] _____ me to the cinema and we [6] _____ the new Jennifer Lawrence film. It was brilliant! On Sunday I [7] _____ in the morning and then, in the afternoon, Mum and Dad [8] _____ a barbecue in the garden. They [9] _____ sausages and burgers. They were delicious and I [10] _____ too many! On Sunday evening I [11] _____ some homework (ugh!) and [12] _____ to some music.

How was your weekend?

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6.5 LISTENING and VOCABULARY — Sporting moments

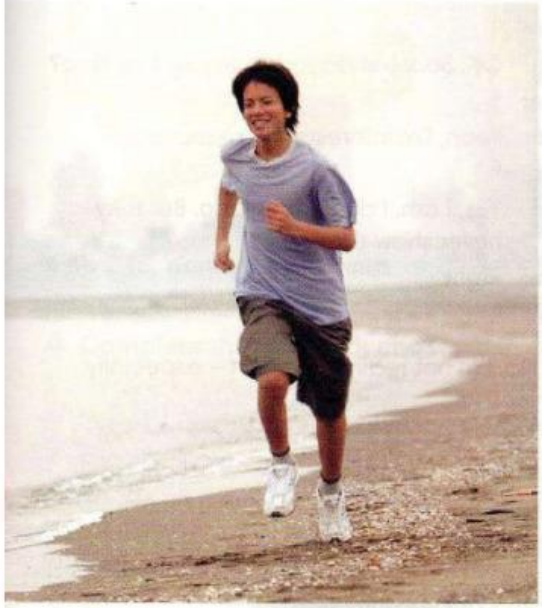
I can identify specific detail in a radio sports programme and talk about a sports match.

1 Complete the words in the sentences.

1 My friend is playing in a big tennis **t o u r n a m e n t** at the moment. It happens every year.
2 My dad's really happy. His favourite football team won their match yesterday and now they're in the top **l**_ _ _ _ .
3 Don't get excited! You won the **s**_ _ -**f**_ _ _ but now you're playing Serena in the **f**_ _ _ . And she's very good!
4 My mum was a good swimmer and she's got a big **c**_ _ on the shelf in her room. She won it in a national competition when she was fifteen.

2 WORD FRIENDS **Choose the correct option.**

1 I hope we don't *win* / *lose* this match. The winner gets a lovely cup.
2 Let's *get* / *go* cycling this afternoon. It's lovely and sunny.
3 Which team does Bale play *at* / *for*?
4 Let's *do* / *play* badminton later.
5 My brother *did* / *played* judo when he was younger. He was quite good.
6 It's important to *make* / *do* some exercise every day to keep fit.

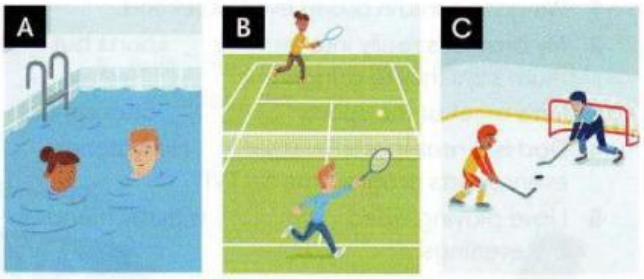


3 15 **Listen to four phone conversations (1–4). Match them with sentences a–d.**

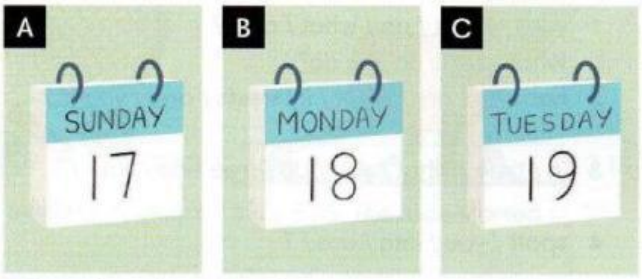
a ☐ The girl talks about a new sport she started.
b ☐ The boy and girl talk about a regular activity.
c ☐ The boy and girl plan to do something together.
d ☐ The boy talks about something he did on holiday.

4 15 **Listen again. Choose the correct answer.**

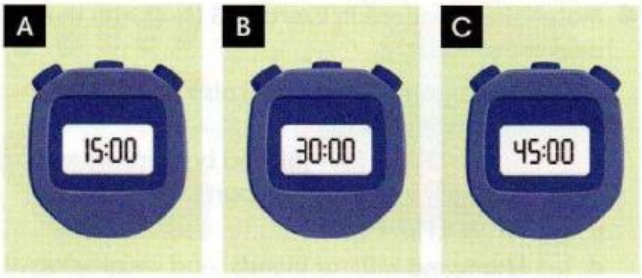
1 What do the boy and girl plan to do together?



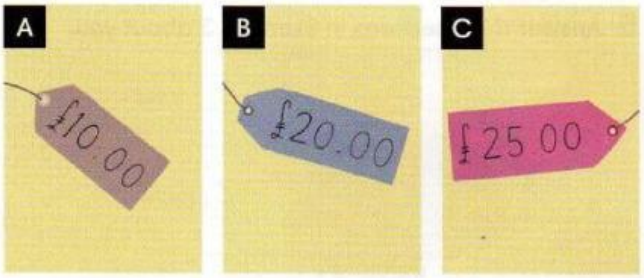
2 What day was the Yankees game?



3 How long does the girl usually jog each morning?



4 How much do clothes cost for the girl's new sport?



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6.6 SPEAKING Talking about hobbies and interests

I can talk about hobbies and interests.

1 Complete the response with one word.

OUT of class

A: Which is your favourite sport?
B: To be _____, I don't like sports much. I prefer books and films.

2 Complete the sentences with the words below.

~~biking~~ centre extreme fanatic games

1 We go mountain *biking* every weekend.
2 My brother's really into _____ sports but mum says they're dangerous.
3 Let's meet at the sports _____ after school.
4 Dad is a real sports _____. He watches every sports programme on TV!
5 I love playing video _____ with my friends in the evenings.

3 Order the words to make questions.

1 you / sports / do / what / do / ?
What sports do you do?
2 hobbies / are / what / interests / and / your / ?
_____
3 in / time / what / you / do / free / do / your / ?
_____
4 sport / you / into / are / ?
_____

4 Match the questions in Exercise 3 (1–4) with these answers (a–d).

a ☐ Video games and judo! I also do a lot of dancing.
b [1] Sports? I play football and basketball. And I'm really into extreme sports too.
c ☐ Oh yes! I love sport!
d ☐ I hang out with my friends. And we play lots and lots of video games!

5 Answer the questions in Exercise 3 about you.

1 _____
_____
2 _____
_____
3 _____
_____
4 _____
_____

6 Choose the correct answer.

1 I ___ running.
a play (b) go c do
2 I hang ___ with my friends.
a on b at c out
3 I'm interested ___ extreme sports.
a in b on c at
4 I'm really ___ water sports.
a in for b into c on at
5 I'm not very keen ___ sport.
a at b up c on
6 I ___ a lot of judo.
a do b play c go
7 I'm a big fan ___ skateboarding.
a to b of c along
8 I ___ video games.
a do b play c go
9 So, what do you do ___ your free time?
a for b in c on
10 I also ___ a lot of dancing.
a play b go c do

7 Complete the dialogue with sentences a–f.

Ben: Hi! Where is everyone?
Kim: [1]e
Ben: And you aren't?
Kim: [2]___
Ben: How about football? There's a match on later.
Kim: [3]___
Ben: OK. So, what do you do in your free time?
Kim: [4]___
Ben: Yeah, I'm interested in music too.
Kim: [5]___
Ben: Yes, I am. I do a lot of judo. But they never show that on TV.
Kim: Right.
Ben: [6]___

a No, I'm not really into sport – especially football!
b No, I'm doing some homework. I'm not very keen on tennis.
c But I'm a bit bored, so maybe tennis on the TV is a good idea. Enjoy your homework!
d And are you into sport?
e Oh they're watching the tennis on TV.
f Well, I love dancing and listening to music.

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6.7 ENGLISH IN USE *ago*

I can use *ago* to talk about events in the past.

1 **Put *ago* or *at* in the correct place in the sentences. Some sentences need both words.**

1 I got up ten minutes.
I got up ten minutes ago.

2 Three years I went to the USA with my parents.
_____

3 We started our lesson 9.30 and we finished half an hour.
_____

4 My friend arrived in England a week and she leaves tonight nine o'clock.
_____

5 It started to rain an hour and we've got a football match 3.15!
_____

2 **Order the words to make sentences.**

1 I / new / months / school / two / started / ago / a
I started a new school two months ago.

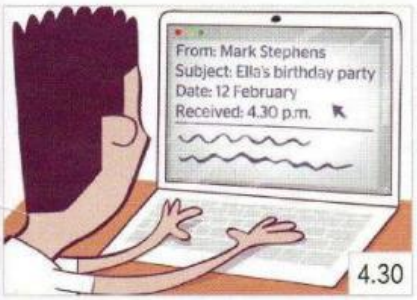
2 years / to / we / this / town / moved / five / ago
_____

3 the / ago / two / started / minutes / film
_____

4 I / the / ago / to / match / three / football / went / days
_____

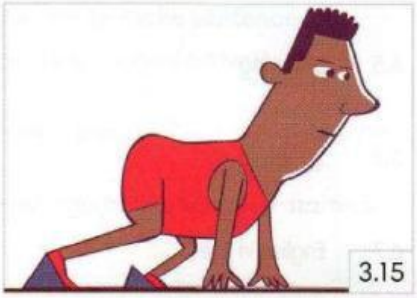
5 built / the / ago / Romans / Colosseum / centuries / the
_____

3 **Look at the pictures and complete the sentences. Use *ago*.**



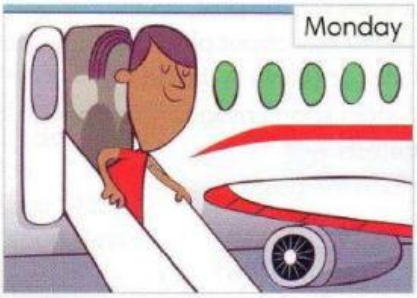
1 It's 6.30. The email arrived *two hours ago*.

2 Our school's first tennis tournament took place _____.

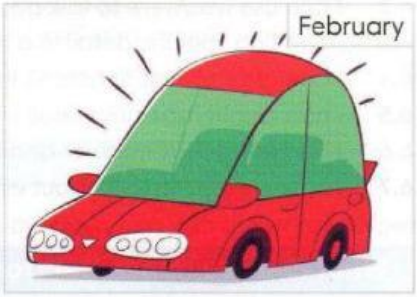


3 It's 3.25. The race started _____.

4 It's 2.15. Wendy won the cup _____.



5 It's Thursday. Sally arrived in Spain _____.



6 It's May. Dad bought his car _____.

4 **Complete the blog with one word in each gap.**

There's a sports centre near our home with a big swimming [1]*pool* and some badminton [2]_____. I started to [3]_____ badminton six months [4]_____ and now I go every week. My brother isn't very [5]_____ on sports but he likes watching sport on TV. He's a [6]_____ of Southampton football club and sometimes goes to their [7]_____. They got into the [8]_____ of the Football League Cup two months [9]_____ and he watched it live in London. They [10]_____, but he enjoyed the match! I'm not really [11]_____ football but I like it when Southampton [12]_____.

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