

SKILLS TEST – SIMULATION

LISTENING

1  206 **Ascolta il dialogo tra Anna e Tony e indica se le frasi sono vere (T) o false (F). Correggi le frasi false.**

- 1 Tony joined a leisure centre last week. _____
- 2 Yesterday Anna spent two hours at the leisure centre. _____
- 3 Tony would like to build up his muscles. _____
- 4 Anna is going to do twenty-five sit-ups next time. _____
- 5 Tony would like to go swimming. _____

2  206 **Riascolta il dialogo e completa le frasi usando al massimo quattro parole.**

- 1 Tony thinks he needs to _____.
- 2 Jamila is Anna's _____.
- 3 Yesterday Anna did a lot of _____.
- 4 Anna _____ to the leisure centre for a week and she feels better.
- 5 Anna enjoyed doing _____.
- 6 Tony thinks sit-ups are worse than _____.
- 7 Anna says that going to the leisure centre would do Tony a _____ good.
- 8 At the leisure centre there is a swimming pool, a climbing wall and a _____.
- 9 Anna invites Tony to go to the leisure centre _____.
- 10 Anna and Tony are meeting at the leisure centre _____.

READING

1 Leggi il testo e per ogni domanda scegli l'alternativa corretta: a, b, c o d.

Comedian Eddie Izzard runs 27 marathons in 27 days

By the time Nelson Mandela became the first black president of South Africa in 1994, he had fought for equal rights for everyone in the country and had spent 27 years in prison for his protests and political activity. He became a great world leader and a hero for people

everywhere. He was still alive when, a comedian, Eddie Izzard had the idea of running 27 marathons in 27 days to raise money for charity and to remember the years Nelson Mandela spent in prison. Eddie first started running marathons in 2009. He only had five weeks of training but ran 43 marathons in 51 days. In 2010, he met Mandela in South Africa. In the same room, there was another hero, Neil Armstrong, the first man who walked on the Moon. Two years later, Eddie went to South Africa to run his 27 marathons for Nelson Mandela and the charity Sport Relief. Unfortunately, after he had run just four marathons in the heat of South Africa, Eddie had to stop the challenge because of health problems. Eddie's dream didn't die, though. In 2016, Eddie met up with physiotherapist Tim Cruse-Drew and told him that he was going to South Africa again in three weeks. Tim gave him some ideas for training and getting ready for the weather in South Africa. Eddie also asked Tim to come with him and help him during the marathon. Tim's duties included making snacks and running a lot of the way with Eddie as well as giving him essential medical advice.

Eddie chose his route very carefully. He ran through places that played a part in Nelson Mandela's life. He started his run on 23rd of February at Mbashe Bridge, near the place where Mandela was born. He finished the final marathon on 20 March at the Union Building in Pretoria. This is where Mandela gave his first speech as president. Izzard crossed the finish line under a huge statue of Nelson Mandela and lots of fans were there shouting, 'Eddie, Eddie, Eddie.' After he had crossed the line Izzard said: 'I can't stand upright, I have a huge blister, it's been the hardest thing I've ever done and I'm very tired.' He had finally realised his dream and had raised more than £1.35m.

- 1 How long had Eddie trained when he started running marathons?
 - a 27 days
 - b 51 days
 - c 5 weeks
 - d 43 days
- 2 Why did Eddie stop running marathons?
 - a Because of the bad weather.
 - b Because he wasn't feeling well.
 - c Because of protests.
 - d Because he hadn't trained enough.
- 3 How did Tim Cruse-Dew help Eddie?
 - a He showed him the way.
 - b He raised money.
 - c He booked hotels and restaurants.
 - d He gave him advice for his training and diet.
- 4 Where did Eddie start his run in 2016?
 - a Near Mandela's birthplace.
 - b Near the place of Mandela's first speech as a president.
 - c Near Mandela's prison.
 - d Near the places where Mandela fought for equal rights.
- 5 What did Eddie say at the end of the last marathon?
 - a That he had achieved his goal.
 - b That it had been a tough experience.
 - c That he wasn't feeling well.
 - d That he was very happy.

2 Rileggi il testo e rispondi alle domande usando al massimo quattro parole.

1 How long was Nelson Mandela in prison?

2 What did Eddie Izzard want to achieve by running marathons?

3 When did he start running marathons?

4 Who was with Eddie when he met Mandela?

5 What's Tim Cruse-Dew's job?

6 Where was Eddie going to go in three weeks when he met Tim?

7 When did Eddie start his run?

8 Where did he finish running the last marathon?

9 What was there near the finish line?

10 Who was cheering him?

WRITING

Imagine that you have been on a fantastic day out. Write a short text about it.

Use the ideas below to help you.

- Say when it was.
- Talk about where you went.
- Say what you did.
- Tell them why you enjoyed it.