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ARE YOU FINDING IT DIFFICULT?

1 GRAMMAR Questions

a Underline the correct words to complete the conversation.

FABIO Hi, there. ¹You have / Have you got five minutes?

GABRIELLA Sure. ²What / What did you want to talk to me about?

FABIO Well, I'm doing a triathlon next month. ³Didn't / Weren't you read my post?

GABRIELLA No, I haven't seen it. A triathlon, wow! ⁴What for? / For what? It sounds really tough!

FABIO It's not easy, yeah, swimming, cycling, then running.

GABRIELLA ⁵What / Which of those is the most difficult?

FABIO All of them! Er, ⁶weren't / didn't you a good swimmer once?

GABRIELLA Yeah, once. What are you looking at me like ⁷that for / for that?

FABIO Do you think ⁸could you / you could coach me?

GABRIELLA I don't know ⁹whether / what I've got enough time.

FABIO ¹⁰Can / Shall I think about it and phone you later?

FABIO No problem. That's great! I'll swim a lot faster with your help.

GABRIELLA Who ¹¹knows / does know? You might win!

b  01.03 Listen and check.

c Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

1 a / want / do / marathon / to / you / run ?

Do you want to run a marathon?

2 to / this / going / is / do / why / she ?

3 the / register / who / competition / need to / for / doesn't ?

4 giving / why / our / aren't / tickets / they / us ?

5 of / which / to do / would you / the challenges / like ?

6 have / the most / ever done / you / difficult / what is / thing ?

7 for / did / hard training / what / this / we do / all ?

8 the / happened / of / what / at / end / the game ?

9 have / think we / of / a chance / you / do / winning ?

10 your / who / website / designed ?

2 VOCABULARY Trying and succeeding

a Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. There is one extra phrase you do not need.

drop out give up keep to keep it up
manage to try out make an effort



1 Sandra decided to make an effort to go to the gym every day.



2 José wants to _____ a new recipe for lemon cake.



3 We really need to _____ fast food.



4 Charlie told his kids to _____



5 The Smiths didn't _____ assemble their kitchen table.



6 It won't be easy to _____ this diet.

b Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box.

give up have a go keep to keep it up
make an effort manage to drop out try out work out

1 I'd like to have a go at snowboarding, but I'm afraid of falling and breaking something.

2 If you _____ of the course, you won't be able to work in your dream job.

3 If you _____ this training programme, you'll get back in shape.

4 Laura applied for a new job, but it didn't _____. She didn't have the right qualifications.

5 My car is in the garage and I don't know if they'll _____ repair it by Monday.

6 Ben went sailing with me twice and he's terrible at it, but he doesn't want to _____.

7 Your writing has improved a lot this term, so _____.

8 Would you like to _____ the new version of the software?

9 I know Jade isn't interested in the project, but she could at least _____ to get involved.