OLYMPICS

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

1. What is the main idea of the article?
(a) The Olympics have always been popular.
(b) There are many problems with the Olympics.
(c) The Olympics began a long time ago and continue today.

2. Where did the Olympic Games first began?
(a) Athens  
(b) Rome  
(c) Olympia

3. Men like to watch the Olympic Games more than women.
(a) TRUE  
(b) FALSE  
(c) It doesn’t say.

4. After the first Olympic Games in 776 BC, how long did they continue in Greece?
(a) about one thousand years  
(b) about two thousand years  
(c) about three thousand years

5. Where were the first modern Olympic Games held?
(a) Athens  
(b) the IOC  
(c) in fourteen different countries

6. According to the article, what couldn’t women do in the first Olympic Games?
(a) compete in the Olympics  
(b) play hockey  
(c) travel to different countries and cities

7. What was most special about the 1900 Olympics?
(a) Some people wanted the games to be in different places.
(b) Women competed in the games.
(c) They were held in France.

8. What does the article say about the use of drugs in the Olympics?
(a) It’s a good thing.
(b) It’s a bad thing.
(c) The article doesn’t say.
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Olympics (‘A Short History’)

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NOTES

Distribute the Listening Comprehension question papers to your learners and give them about a minute to read it before beginning the listening.

Repeat the listening one time.

Consider the possibility of reading aloud the text (and possibly recording your own voice!).

Consider extending this listening activity with the ‘Grammar-in-Context’ activity (see related downloadable file) on: www.allthingsgrammar.com

ANSWER KEY

Listening Comprehension

1. C       5. A
2. C       6. A
3. C       7. B

GRADE CONVERSION

8 / 8 = 100%
7 / 8 = 88%
6 / 8 = 75%
5 / 8 = 63%
4 / 8 = 50%
3 / 8 = 38%
2 / 8 = 25%
1 / 8 = 13%
0 / 8 = 0

My Notes