

Answer Key

Progress Test A

Listening

A. 1. g 2. e 3. f 4. a 5. h

B. 1. South Korea 2. seven 3. lightning 4. five 5. fans; gamers 6. science fiction; hockey

Reading

A. 1. brought 2. immediately 3. requires 4. skill 5. huge

B. 1. T 2. F – It started when he was eight. 3. F – He won second place. 4. F – His dad wanted him to become a footballer. 5. T

C.

1. In October 2024, Josh won a prize at the UK's national scooting championships, *Scoot GB*.

2. He started competing at a professional level in the last two years.

3. He thinks it's positive: "... with social media playing a crucial role in extreme sports, he thinks the growth of sports such as BMX freestyling and skateboarding can only mean a positive future for scooting."

Vocabulary

A. 1. f 2. g 3. d 4. b 5. e

B. 1. backpacking 2. going to concerts 3. watching series 4. collecting cans 5. cooking 6. camping

C. 1. swimming 2. going out for dinner 3. reading 4. meeting friends

Grammar

A. 1. Do / do 2. go 3. play 4. am taking 5. am trying 6. isn't doing 7. watches

B. 1. tried 2. didn't do 3. Did / win 4. was 5. didn't go

C.

1. Diana fell asleep while she was watching her favourite series.

2. They were swimming in the lake when it started to rain.

3. I met Alan while I was running in the forest.

4. While mum was cooking, I was reading my favourite book.

Writing

Personal answer

Answer Key

Progress Test B

Listening

A. 1. e 2. d 3. b 4. a 5. c

B. 1. South Korea 2. seven 3. lightning 4. five 5. fans; gamers 6. science fiction; hockey

Reading

A. 1. b 2. e 3. a 4. c 5. d

B. 1. T 2. F 3. F 4. F 5. T

C.

1. won a prize at the UK's national scootering championships, *Scoot GB*

2. started; professional level in the last two years

3. thinks; positive: "...with social media playing a crucial role in extreme sports, he thinks the growth of sports such as BMX freestyling and skateboarding can only mean a positive future for scootering."

Vocabulary

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Grammar

A. 1. Do / do 2. go 3. play 4. am taking 5. am trying 6. isn't doing 7. watches

B. 1. tried 2. didn't do 3. Did / win 4. was 5. didn't go

C.

1. ... she was watching her favourite series.

2. ... it started to rain.

3. ... was running in the forest.

4. ... was reading my favourite book.

Writing

Personal answer

A.

Alice: Whenever I have some time off, I go to the mountains. I love listening to the birds and feeling the wind at the top. It's sometimes hard to climb and my legs hurt from so much walking, but when I reach the top, I can see everything – rivers, villages, trees... It's amazing.

Chris: I love days when the sea is calm, but I still go fast. The water hits my face and I try to keep my balance. My legs shake a little, but the feeling of riding over the waves is like flying. And when I finally let go, I can't stop smiling.

Kate: I spend most of my weekends on two wheels. I race down rocky trails, jump over small rocks, and sometimes fall in the mud. It's not always easy to control the speed, but that's the fun part. At the end, I feel tired and dirty, but happy.

James: I have a shelf in my room that's full of bright colours and different shapes. Each one comes from a different place – some from holidays, some from friends, and some I just found in shops. The designs help me remember where I got them. It's almost like having a little museum at home.

Alex: Everyone is waiting for that first note, and when the lights go down, the whole place explodes with sound. I sing loudly until my voice is almost gone, jumping with the beat. By the end of the night, my ears are ringing and my legs ache from all the jumping. I love it!

B.

Juno Vernon, better known by his gaming name "ShadowBall," is one of the top e-sports players in the world. Born in the city of Seoul in South Korea in 2003, Juno started playing video games when he was only seven years old. By 13, he was already competing in local tournaments.

He is an expert in fast-paced strategy games where quick thinking and teamwork are essential. His reaction time is so fast that fans call him "the lightning player." That's L-I-G-H-T-N-I-N-G, lightning! To become the best, Juno trains for about five hours every day.

In 2023, he won the *International E-Sports Cup*, taking home a \$400,000 prize. But for Juno, the best part is meeting his fans and inspiring young gamers to follow their dreams. When he's not playing in tournaments, he enjoys reading science fiction, playing hockey, and spending time with his cat, Pixar.