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THE TEXT

1. During the United Nations climate summit in Baku, Azerbaijan, held in November 2024, athletes from around the world talked about the threat that climate change does pose to them, to fans and to sport itself. Leslie Mabon, a lecturer on environmental systems, said athletes can raise awareness on issues like global warming. Indeed, they are trying to get more people to care and act.

2. Sam Mattis, American discus thrower, said extreme temperatures as high as 44 Celsius at the 2021 U.S. Olympic trials in Eugene, Oregon, weighed heavily on the trials. It caused some fans and athletes to pass out. New Zealand soccer player Katie Rood recalled training in heat chambers to prepare for the Tokyo Olympics. Pragnya Mohan, an Indian professional triathlete, said summers in her native India are so hot that she can't train there anymore.

3. Mohan noted that the Paris Olympics had to delay some triathlon events because of heavy rains. Climate change is also making sports more expensive and widening disparities between the haves and the have-nots. Jessica Murfree, assistant professor at the University of North Carolina said, "Athletes will have to travel farther and spend more money in order to train and compete in more compatible places."

4. Sports are seeking to adapt to a hotter planet. Sometimes, competitions get moved to different places where the weather is not too hot. In other cases, starting times get shifted to cooler parts of the day. Also, in some countries, stadiums are air-conditioned. "But the energy it requires is a huge cost to the environment," said Katie Rood.

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ANGLAIS (Section: Sport _Session de contrôle 2026)

I. READING COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (12 marks)

1. Tick (✓) the most appropriate title. (1 mark)

- a. Performing under extreme conditions ☐
- b. Adapting to environmental changes ☐
- c. Going way beyond personal limits ☐

2. For each of the following statements, pick out ONE detail from the text showing that it is false. (3 marks)

a. Extremely hot weather has an impact on athletes only. (paragraph 2)

b. Hot weather is the only factor that is affecting sports events. (paragraph 3)

c. Air-conditioning is an eco-friendly measure. (paragraph 4)

3. Focus on paragraph 4 and list 3 measures taken to deal with hot weather. (3 marks)

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

4. Find words or expressions in the text that nearly mean the same as: (2 marks)

a. cause (paragraph 1) _____

b. the rich (paragraph 3) _____

5. What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2 marks)

a. they (paragraph 1) _____

b. there (paragraph 2) _____

6. Give a personal justified answer to the following question. (1 mark)

As a preparation for competitions, would you accept to train in difficult weather conditions?

Why/ Why not?

As a preparation for competitions, I _____ accept to train in difficult weather conditions because _____

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II. LANGUAGE (10 marks)

1. Fill in the blanks with 7 words from the box below. (3.5 marks)

gained / athletic / successfully / more / with / impact / potentials / for / succeeded

Innovations are transforming disability access in sports. They have had a profound _____ on disabled athletes and the sports industry as a whole. For athletes with disabilities, these advancements have provided opportunities _____ personal growth, empowerment and the pursuit of their _____ dreams. They have shattered barriers and proven that physical disabilities do not define one's abilities or limit their multiple _____. Furthermore, these innovations have challenged societal perceptions of disability and helped to _____ break down stereotypes. By showcasing the incredible achievements of athletes with disabilities, they have inspired a shift in attitudes towards disability, fostering a _____ truly inclusive and accepting society. In the sports industry, innovations in disability access have opened up new markets and audiences. The Paralympic Games, for example, _____ significant popularity and recognition attracting millions of viewers and sponsors. This increased visibility has provided disabled athletes with greater opportunities for sponsorship and endorsement.

2. Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form. (3 marks)

Notting Hill Carnival was first held in 1966. It celebrates the rich history of the Caribbean culture in London. The first Notting Hill Carnival (**attract**) _____ around 500 people. Since then, the carnival (**grow**) _____ to become the largest street festival in Europe, attracting hundreds of thousands of visitors to London. You can expect to see some 50,000 artists (**perform**) _____ in the parade, more than 30 sound systems playing and more than one million people attending over the weekend. Notting Hill Carnival usually (**take**) _____ place on the last weekend of August. Many London venues host private (**party**) _____ across the holiday weekend. If you are going to attend the event with a group of friends, arrange a meeting point and time in advance so that you're not lost in the crowd. And since it's quite hot, have always a bottle of fresh water to stay (**hydrate**) _____. You should also wear a hat and put on sunscreen.

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3. Circle the right option. (3.5 marks)

Addiction to social media is a real and documented phenomenon affecting a significant number of people. Youth and young adults are **(alike / likely / like)** to develop this kind of addiction. Young people go **(through / on / for)** a critical period in developing and maintaining relationships with others. They often develop their core identities by looking for approval from other people **(which / who / whose)** use social media. They share videos and photos to receive the self-affirmation that can result from **(get / to get / getting)** comments and likes. **(In addition / However / While)**, it can be dangerous when a young person is seeking approval for the wrong things or from the wrong persons. In 2021, for example, the office of Connecticut Senator Richard Blumenthal **(creates / created / has created)** a fake account posing as a 13-year-old girl. The Instagram algorithm quickly **(discarded / changed / suggested)** similar active accounts promoting eating disorders and food ads. Instagram acknowledged that those accounts violated the rules and removed them.

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III. WRITING (8 marks)

Some sports students find it difficult to balance between school, training and competitions. One of your classmates wrote on the school Facebook page that studying online would be the best solution to help manage the situation.

Write a **10-line post** in which you express your opinion, supporting it with at least **three** sound arguments.

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