

Sport and Recreation

PART ONE USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

- 1. Baseball is my favorite sport. What is your favorite?
- 2. When you played soccer, what position did you play in high school?
- 3. My cousin is a good soccer player. He is the goalkeeper for the pro team.
- 4. I used to run the middle distances when I did track and field at school.
- 5. I went to a boxing match, but the fight was over in less than 3 minutes.
- 6. Those countries are really good at winter sports.
- 7. We do an early morning session at the gym every day.
- 8. I do not enjoy working out with the weights.
- 9. The best thing to learn in sport is how to be a good loser.
- 10. My legs are really sore from skiing.
- 11. The Olympic Games is the biggest track and field event held every four years.
- 12. Is there a camping ground near the beach?
- 13. Are we allowed to build a campfire?
- 14. How far does the hiking trail go?
- 15. There is a good fishing spot near the boathouse.

PART TWO MORE USEFUL EXAMPLES

- 1. All athletes are now regularly tested for drug use.
- 2. I was quite good at the shorter sprint distances.
- 3. They are now going for the final lap.
- 4. There are still three laps to go but nobody will catch him/her.
- 5. The game ended in a tie with neither side scoring.
- 6. Our team was so hopeless that we were crushed yesterday.
- 7. How many more games are there left in the regular season?
- 8. Hey, the ball touched the line.
- 9. Why did the referee stop the fight so early?
- 10. That cage sport is extremely violent.
- 11. Lots of young men enjoy watching extreme violent sports.
- 12. Are soccer players in your country any good?
- 13. It is best to go jogging early when there is no traffic about.
- 14. It is not how you win, but how you lose that matters most.
- 15. The organizers have to improve the safety measures at those races.

Number 1

Read the dialogue so that Jessica explains the daily prices and equipment rentals for the three options. Use 20 - 30 words for your response.

Sam: I am dying to try skiing/snowboarding/skating for the first time.

Jessica: Me too. Seeing as we both are warm countries we should try it before we return home.

Sam: I wonder how expensive it is to do.

Jessica: I have a winter sport brochure from the big sports store in my bag. Wait. **Sam:** Well, what does it say?

Jessica: The skiing is ...

The snowboarding is ... Skating is

Number 2

Read the dialogue below and complete it so that A gives examples and reasons for the choices. Be sure to add a reason for the choice. Use between 20 -30 words for y0ur response.

A: Which sport do you prefer—basketball or baseball?

B: I don't enjoy either one.

A: I thought everyone in the country liked basketball. Why don't you like it?

B: I was forced to play it at school even though I was not very good at it. The kids who were good at it always made fun of me. I hated every minute of it so much that now I even refuse to watch it on TV.

A: That's too bad.

B: How about you? What's your favorite sport?

A: You mean sport to watch or play?

B: Either.

A: My favorite to play is...

My favorite to watch on TV is ...

And my favorite to relax is ...