

8 Sporting extremes

* Word Builder

Adjectives – page 72

1 This is deep! 2 This is high! 3 That's large! 4 That's low! 5 This is narrow! 6 This is shallow!
7 This is wide!

Sports – page 73

1 badminton 2 diving 3 handball 4 ice hockey 5 ice skating 6 sailing 7 skiing
8 snowboarding 9 swimming 10 windsurfing

Feelings – page 74

1 Student's own answers.

2 Student's own answers.

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* Using a dictionary

1 2 verb 3 adjective 4 plural 5 singular 6 preposition

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3 Student's own answers.

4 Student's own answers.

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Superlatives – page 76

- 1 Mount Everest is – the highest mountain – in the world.
- 2 Lake Geneva is – the largest lake – in Switzerland.
- 3 The Nile is – the longest river – in Africa.
- 4 Alaska is – the biggest state – in the USA.
- 5 London is – the most crowded city – in Britain.
- 6 February is – the shortest month – of the year.
- 7 Saturday is – the best day – of the week.
- 8 The Savageman Triathlon is – the most difficult race – on Earth.

Focus

- 1 We use superlatives to compare three or more things.
- 2 To make the superlative form of long adjectives, we use *the most* + adjective.
- 3 To make the superlative form of short adjectives, we use *the* + *-est*.

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Formation of superlative adjectives – page 77

Focus

1 deep – the deepest 2 wide – the widest 3 thin – the thinnest 4 busy – the busiest
5 beautiful – the most beautiful 6 good 7 bad 8 far

Comparatives and superlatives

- 1 Which is the fastest animal in the world?
- 2 I think ice hockey is more exciting than grass hockey.
- 3 Which is the most dangerous sport in the Olympics?
- 4 Are England better at football than Brazil?
- 5 French is much easier to learn than Chinese.
- 6 Winter is the worst season to visit London.

Verb + *-ing* or *to* + infinitive – page 78

- 1 My brother isn't very good at running.
- 2 Do you like doing water sports?
- 3 I love playing handball with my friends.
- 4 Are you good at riding?
- 5 Which sports do you enjoy watching?
- 6 My sister hates doing gymnastics at school.
- 7 I'm not very good at climbing.

Focus

We use the verb + *-ing* form:

- after these verbs: ¹ *like*, ² *enjoy*, ³ *love*, ⁴ *hate*
- after the phrase ⁵ *good at*

- 2 1 We went to the park to go skateboarding. A
2 The most exciting sport to watch is skiing. B
3 Which is the most dangerous sport to play? B
4 I turned on the TV to watch the match. A
5 It's easier to ski than to snowboard. B
6 Most people do sport to get fit. A

Language links – page 79

* Word order

- 1 **In English:** Yesterday we had an English test.
We had an English test yesterday.
En français: Hier nous avons eu un test d'anglais.
Nous avons eu un test d'anglais hier.
Auf Deutsch: Gestern hatten wir einen Englischtest.
Wir hatten gestern einen Englischtest.

- 1 In English we can put past time expressions at the beginning and at the end of sentences.
- 2 In French we can put past time expressions at the beginning and at the end of sentences.
- 3 In German we can put past time expressions at the beginning and in the middle of sentences.

- 2 **In English:** On Saturday I was at the cinema.; I was at the cinema on Saturday.
En français: Samedi j'étais au cinéma.; J'étais au cinéma samedi.
Auf Deutsch: Am Samstag war ich im Kino.; Ich war am Samstag im Kino.