

GRADE 8

Task 1. Read the text. Are sentences 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B)? If there is not enough information to answer 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B), choose 'Doesn't say' (C).

Sample: In 1904 the Olympic Games took place in St. Louis.

A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say

An Interesting Race

There have been a lot of famous cheats in sporting history, even in the most famous sporting event of them all, the Olympic Games. In 1904 the Olympic Games were in St. Louis and in the marathon race there were some very interesting competitors!

It was a very hot August day and more than half of the runners didn't start because it was so hot. The winner of the race was Fred Lorz. Everyone cheered when he finished and he accepted the prize. But he said later that he didn't run all the way! He ran the first nine miles but then he got tired and got into a car for the next eleven miles. Then he got out and finished the race! So, he couldn't be the winner. The person in second place was Thomas Hicks but then they discovered that he used drugs to help him continue the race when he got too tired!

Another runner in the race was Felix Carvajar. His story was very strange too. While he was running he became hungry and he stopped to eat some apples from the trees in a garden. The fruit was bad and he was sick! But he had a rest and then continued the race. He came fourth.

1. The most famous sporting event is the Olympic Games.
A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say
2. People have never cheated in the Olympic Games.
A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say
3. Thomas Hicks was ill during the whole race.
A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say
4. Felix Carvajar bought some fruit during the race.
A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say

Task 2. Guess the meaning of the word according to the description

Sample: _____ is a place where you take your car to fill it up with petrol.

A. Garage B. Garden C. Club

5. _____: to feel respect and approval for (someone or something).

A. want B. admire C. deserve

6. _____: of great value or high price.

A. precious B. popular C. patterned

7. _____: to suffer a usually dull persistent pain.

A. feel B. heel C. ache

Task 3. Choose the best word to fill in spaces

Sample: A magazine Children's Voice _____ in 2000. It is written by children.

A. called B. used **C. began**

8. It was the _____ of a New York businessman called San Harries.

A. opinion B. idea C. mind

9. He _____ that people should listen to what children had to say.

A. thought B. liked C. decided

10. Harris soon _____ that adult newspapers were interested in the children's writing.

A. searched B. looked C. found