

# Learn English Through Stories.

## **U** Series



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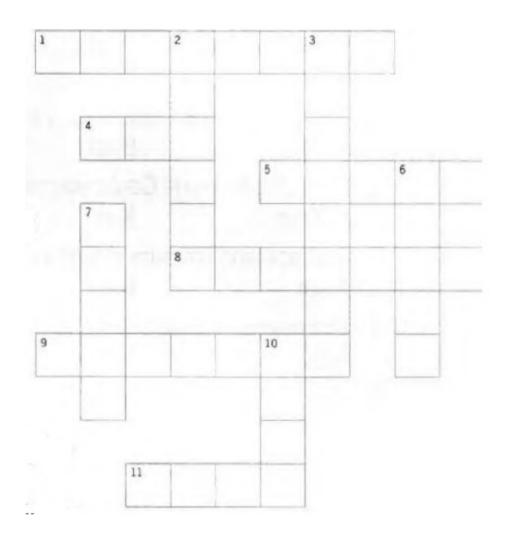
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Vocabulary. Nine tests.

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#### Across

- 1. If he wins this match, he'll be the world ..... ! (8)
- 4. I'm thinking of joining a ..... to get more exercise. (3)
- 5. Our basketball ..... said that I can play on Saturday! (5)
- 8. The ..... blew his whistle the game started. (7)
- 9. Which team do you .....? (7)
- 11. Mark's band play traditional ..... music they often perform at

country fairs and festivals. (4)

#### Down

2. I'm sorry, but you have to be ..... of the golf club to play here. (6)

3. My ..... was a brilliant player and I didn't manage to win the match.(8)

6. Tom is really good at cards. He would ..... ! (5)

7. Lisa's ..... has just reached number one with their new song! (5)

10. I took a big ..... by doing the parachute jump, but I loved every second of it! (4)

#### B. Complete using the correct form of the words and phrases in the box.

beat • challenge • have fun • interest • organise • score • train

#### Start Your Own Sports Club

Do you dream of (1).....the winning goal in a football match, or (2)......a top tennis player? Sport (3).....most young people, and it's a great way to stay healthy and (4).....at the same time. That's why the local council has decided to help young people who want to (5)...... their own sports club. We know it's a big (6)....., and that's why we'll give you the money you need to get started. We'll help you find a place to (7)...... and give you money to find good players in your area. Contact the Town Hall for details.

#### C. Circle the correct word.

1. I really like playing board / video games like Monopoly and Cluedo.

2. Roy was the best player, so he wasn't surprised when he became captain / club of the team.

3. Lots of people get defeat / pleasure from just watching sport from their armchairs.

4. I thought the music at the concert / rhythm we went to last night was great.

5. Everyone in my family supports the same competition / team.

6 I find classical / entertaining music really boring, and I prefer pop.

#### Phrasal verbs

#### D. Choose the correct answer.

1. You should take.....a sport and then you would get more exercise.

A: off B: up C: down

2. I'm trying to work! Could you please turn your music.....?

A: down B: in C: out

3 Just ask and I'm sure the other children will let you join.....

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4. The referee sent David...... for arguing with him.

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5. This is my favourite song! Turn it.....!

A: off B: out C: up

6. A mobile phone rang, but the musician just carried...... playing.

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7. We can't afford to eat.....very often.

A: off B: up C: out

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#### **Prepositional phrases**

#### E. Write one word in each gap.

1. We were waiting outside the stadium......a long time before they finally let us in.

2. I've got that concert .....DVD - it's fantastic!

3. I ran all the way home and I was just..... time for my favourite programme.

4. Everyone clapped when the singer came.....stage.

5 At the cinema, Mum sat on the right, Dad sat on the left and I sat .....the middle.

6. Ed doesn't want to become a professional footballer. He just does it ..... fun.

#### Word formation

### F. Complete by changing the form of the word in capitals when this is necessary.

1. What's the name of that.....you were singing earlier? **SING** 

2. I started to learn the piano, but I don't think I've got much ...... talent, to be honest. **MUSIC** 

3. My dad used to be really fit and was on his college ..... team. **ATHLETE** 

4. When you were young, did you ever play in the street with other local .....? **CHILD** 

5 Alan is studying to be an.....but I don't think he's enjoying it. ACT

6 They have a wonderful..... of old toys at the museum in town. COLLECT

7 My grandad loves to ..... and we often go out on his boat. SAIL

8 You have to practise a lot if you want to work as a..... **MUSIC** 

#### G. Use the following words to form a word that fits in the gaps

#### (1) PLAY (2) ATHLETE (3) ACT (4) ENTERTAIN (5) HERO (6) CHILD

Why are kittens such (1) ...... animals? They love chasing a ball or a piece of wool, and they always play in a very (2)...... way. But why? All of a kitten's (3)..... when playing are, in fact, important for the future. It might look like (4)...... , but the kitten is practising its hunting skills. That (5) ......jump onto a toy teaches the kitten a lot. Think about your own (6)...... and you'll see that you learnt a lot through play.

#### Word patterns

#### H. Write one word in each gap.

Diana: Hello, is that Jenny? I'm bored (1)......watching TV and I felt
(2).....a chat. What are you doing?
Jenny: Hi, Diana. Well, I'm reading a book (3).....a Russian writer. It's
(4).....how to become a great actor.
Diana: Really? Oh, I'm really interested (5).....a acting. Tell me about it.

Jenny: He says it takes a long time to get good (6).....acting. To become popular (7).....acting. The public, you need to really understand people.

Diana: That sounds just like me! Tell me more. What else does he say?

#### I. Each of the words in bold is wrong. Write the correct word.

- 1. I'm completely crazy with skateboarding! I love it!
- 2. In my free time I listen **on** music on CD or on the radio.
- 3. Elsa isn't very keen **for** this group, but they're one of my favourites..
- 4. Next week we've got a game **to** a team from Hungary.
- 5. Is that Kylie? Oh, I'm a really big fan **from** hers.
- 6. I was really scared when I took part to the singing competition last year.

#### Answers

#### A. Complete the crossword.

#### Across

1. If he wins this match, he'll be the world **champion**!

4. I'm thinking of joining a **gym** to get more exercise.

- 5. Our basketball **coach** said that I can play on Saturday!
- 8. The **referee** blew his whistle the game started.
- 9. Which team do you support?

11. Mark's band play traditional **folk** music — they often perform at country fairs and festivals.

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2. I'm sorry, but you have to be **member** of the golf club to play here.

- 3. My **opponent** was a brilliant player and I didn't manage to win the match.
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