

Listening 2:

FCE Part 4

Multiple choice 1.7

1 How popular is snowboarding in your country? Have you ever done it? What are the potential dangers of snowboarding? What are sponsors? How do you think they might help snowboarders?

2 Read the following Listening Part 4 instructions.

You will hear an interview about snowboarding. For questions 1–7, choose the best answer A, B or C.

What to expect in the exam

Look at question 1 below and the following extract from the tapescript. The underlined words all appear in the possible answers A, B and C, but only one of these answers fits the question. The other words are distractors. Decide which is the correct answer and say why the others are incorrect.

Tapescript:
I first did it when I was on holiday with my parents. When I was younger I used to go skiing every year with them and then one year I tried snowboarding and I haven't skied since then. That was five years ago.

1 How long has Liz been snowboarding?

- A one year
- B five years
- C every year since she was a child

2 According to Liz, if you want to be a snowboarder

- A you have to be naturally sporty.
- B you need to be born with good co-ordination and balance.
- C you don't need long to acquire the skills.

3 What injuries has Liz suffered?

- A She broke her back.
- B She broke an arm.
- C She fell badly on her back.

4 What does Liz say about the ratio of male to female snowboarders?

- A There are nearly the same number of girls as boys.
- B You almost never see girls who snowboard.
- C There are a lot more girls than boys.

5 What does Liz say about money?

- A Girls don't get paid as much as boys.
- B Her sponsors don't give her any money.
- C She doesn't have to pay for her equipment.

6 What does she recommend to girls who want to snowboard?

- A They should have lessons on an artificial slope.
- B They should buy lots of warm clothing.
- C They should go to a place where it snows.

7 Why does Liz do modelling work?

- A She earns money to finance her snowboarding.
- B It will improve her job prospects.
- C She has always wanted to be a model.

Don't forget!

Pay close attention the second time you hear the recording. You may discover that you need to change your answers.

Is there any sport which you would like to take up? What qualities or strengths would you need to have? Are there any dangers involved?

