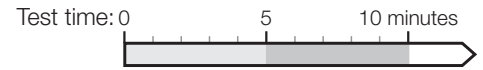


Test A: **Mixed**

Read the text carefully and answer the questions that follow.

**Madeline Syers**

The 1908 Summer Olympic Games were going to be held in Rome. Sadly, the volcano Vesuvius erupted in 1906 and because of this, the Olympics were hosted by London instead. Twenty-two countries participated in twenty-two sports from aquatics and archery to tug-of-war and wrestling.

In figure skating, England had Florence Madeline Syers – known as Madge – as a medal hopeful. In the 1902 World Figure Skating Championships, Madge was the first woman to compete in what had always been a male event. In fact, a women’s event at the Olympics was created as a direct result of her achievements. In 1906 and 1907 Madge won the ladies’ events and went on to win the gold at the 1908 Summer Olympics. The judges had commented on how excellent she was and that she was in a totally different class to all of the other competitors.

Madge Syers was fundamental in changing the sport of figure skating in the Olympics by becoming the first woman ever to win an Olympic gold in skating.

1 Where were the Olympic games held in 1908?




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2 Give **TWO** reasons why Madge Syers was remarkable.




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What do these words mean as used in the text?



3 hosted (line 3)

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4 aquatics (line 4)

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5 hopeful (line 6)

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Select the **ONE** word on the right that has the most **SIMILAR** meaning to the word on the left. Underline the correct answer.

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- 6 fault      a question      b test      c flaw      d perfect      e uncommon
- 7 foe      a mistake      b fighter      c partner      d friend      e enemy
- 8 famous      a known      b noun      c no      d now      e own
- 9 festival      a meal      b sport      c carnival      d birthday      e sedentary

Select the **TWO** odd words out on each line. Select your answers by underlining **TWO** of the options **a–e**.

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- 10 a slender      b thin      c narrow      d broad      e wide
- 11 a poem      b story      c drama      d book      e pamphlet
- 12 a creep      b speed      c rush      d crawl      e dash
- 13 a app      b game      c download      d mobile      e phone

These sentences have been jumbled up and all have **ONE** extra word. Underline the word that is not needed.

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- 14 toast my under on marmalade love I
- 15 birds winter holiday migrate in many the
- 16 the island sand the pirates on buried treasure of chest the

Total 17

# Answers

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## Test A: Mixed

- 1 1 mark for London or UK.
- 2 (1 mark) she was the first woman to compete in a male event; (1 mark) she won an Olympic gold medal in figure skating.
- 3 'Hosted' means held, presented or ran.
- 4 'Aquatics' means water sports.
- 5 'Hopeful' means someone with a good chance of winning.
- 6 **c** flaw
- 7 **e** enemy
- 8 **a** known
- 9 **c** carnival
- 10 **d** broad, **e** wide
- 11 **d** book, **e** pamphlet
- 12 **a** creep, **d** crawl
- 13 **d** mobile, **e** phone
- 14 under (I love marmalade on my toast.)
- 15 holiday (Many birds migrate in the winter.)
- 16 sand (The pirates buried the chest of treasure on the island.)