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Climate crisis threatens future of global sport

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

A new study has revealed that climate change will threaten global sports events over the next three decades. The report was published by the Rapid Transition Alliance. This group monitors climate change, development and global issues. Researchers said that nearly all sports would be impacted by what they called "an accelerating climate crisis". They highlighted how the weather has already disrupted major sports events. Bushfires in Australia made playing conditions hazardous at the Australian Tennis Open and torrential rain from a huge typhoon disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The report predicts that fires, floods, heatwaves and rising sea levels will cause greater disruption.

Rapid Transition Alliance coordinator Andrew Simms urged the sports industry to do more to become carbon-neutral. He said: "Sport provides some of society's most influential role models. If sport can change how it operates to act at the speed and scale necessary to halt the climate emergency, others will follow." He added that the carbon emissions from sports events worldwide are equal to those produced by a medium-sized country. The report's author, David Goldblatt, said sport should be more proactive. He said: "Making a carbon-zero world the common-sense priority of the sports world would make a huge contribution to making it the common-sense priority of all politics."

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2020/jun/20/climate-crisis-threatens-future-of-global-sport-says-report>
<https://news.yahoo.com/climate-change-sport-heading-fall-053733948.html>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-53111881>

WARM-UPS

1. CLIMATE: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about the climate. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

study / climate change / sports events / global issues / weather / hazardous / fires / industry / role models / speed / scale / carbon / emissions / equal / common sense

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. ZERO-CARBON: Students A **strongly** believe no sports event should take place unless it is zero-carbon; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. SPORTS EVENTS: How bad do you think these sports events are for the environment? How can the organisers reduce their carbon footprint? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How Bad	Reduce Carbon Footprint
Summer Olympics		
Soccer World Cup		
Winter Olympics		
Tour de France		
Wimbledon Tennis		
Formula One		

5. GLOBAL: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "global". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. SPORTS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- football
- tennis
- skiing
- wrestling
- cycling
- archery
- horse racing
- swimming

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1. revealed | a. Risky; dangerous. |
| 2. threaten | b. Cause someone or something to be vulnerable or at risk; endanger. |
| 3. decade | c. Look at and check the progress or quality of something over a period of time. |
| 4. monitor | d. Made previously unknown or secret information known to others. |
| 5. impacted | e. Disturbance or problems which interrupt an event, activity, or process. |
| 6. hazardous | f. A period of ten years. |
| 7. disruption | g. Strongly affected by something. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| 8. coordinator | h. The full range of different levels of people or things, from lowest to highest. |
| 9. urged | i. Having a lot of power to change people's minds or have an effect on. |
| 10. influential | j. Creating or controlling a situation by causing something to happen rather than doing something after it has happened. |
| 11. scale | k. A person whose job is to organize events or activities and to negotiate with others so they work together effectively. |
| 12. emissions | l. Recommend something strongly. |
| 13. proactive | m. A thing that is regarded as much, much more important than another thing. |
| 14. priority | n. The gas or radiation that comes from engines, factories and other processes. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Climate change will endanger sports events in the next 30 years. **T / F**
- b. A report into sports events was published by Oxford University Press. **T / F**
- c. The report said all sports would be affected by climate change. **T / F**
- d. The report said floods and heatwaves would disrupt sports events. **T / F**
- e. The report's publisher said sport didn't have to be carbon-neutral. **T / F**
- f. The publisher said that if sport acted on emissions, others would follow. **T / F**
- g. Sports create as much carbon emissions as a medium-sized country. **T / F**
- h. The report's author said sports could affect political priorities. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| 1. revealed | a. perilous |
| 2. published | b. stop |
| 3. monitors | c. issued |
| 4. disrupted | d. prime concern |
| 5. hazardous | e. impeded |
| 6. urged | f. enterprising |
| 7. halt | g. tracks |
| 8. equal | h. recommended |
| 9. proactive | i. identical |
| 10. priority | j. disclosed |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| 1. A new study has | a. role models |
| 2. threaten global sports events over | b. rain |
| 3. the weather has already disrupted | c. revealed that |
| 4. torrential | d. the next three decades |
| 5. rising sea levels will cause | e. to do more |
| 6. Andrew Simms urged the sports industry | f. sense priority |
| 7. some of society's most influential | g. greater disruption |
| 8. the speed and | h. emissions |
| 9. carbon | i. major sports events |
| 10. a carbon-zero world the common- | j. scale necessary |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

A new study has (1) _____ that climate change will threaten global sports events over the next three (2) _____. The report was published by the Rapid Transition Alliance. This group (3) _____ climate change, development and global issues. Researchers said that nearly all sports would be (4) _____ by what they called "an accelerating climate crisis". They highlighted how the weather has already (5) _____ major sports events. Bushfires in Australia made playing conditions (6) _____ at the Australian Tennis Open and torrential rain from a huge typhoon disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The report predicts that fires, (7) _____, heatwaves and rising sea levels will cause (8) _____ disruption.

impacted
revealed
floods
disrupted
greater
monitors
decades
hazardous

Rapid Transition Alliance coordinator Andrew Simms urged the sports (9) _____ to do more to become carbon-neutral. He said: "Sport provides some of society's most (10) _____ role models. If sport can change how it operates to act at the speed and scale necessary to (11) _____ the climate emergency, others will follow." He added that the carbon (12) _____ from sports events worldwide are (13) _____ to those produced by a medium-sized country. The report's author, David Goldblatt, said sport should be more (14) _____. He said: "Making a carbon-zero world the common-sense (15) _____ of the sports world would make a huge (16) _____ to making it the common-sense priority of all politics."

equal
halt
contribution
industry
proactive
emissions
influential
priority

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

- 1) A new study has revealed that climate change will _____
 - a. threatens global sports
 - b. threaten global sports
 - c. threaten globally sports
 - d. threaten global spots
- 2) This group monitors climate change, development _____
 - a. and global reissues
 - b. and global tissues
 - c. and global issuance
 - d. and global issues
- 3) playing conditions hazardous at the Australian Tennis Open _____
 - a. end torrentially rain
 - b. land torrential rain
 - c. and torrentially rain
 - d. and torrential rain
- 4) disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The _____
 - a. report predict that
 - b. report predicts that
 - c. report predicts what
 - d. reports predicts what
- 5) fires, floods, heatwaves and rising sea levels will _____
 - a. cause grate tar disruption
 - b. cause great tar disruption
 - c. cause grey tar disruption
 - d. cause greater disruption
- 6) Rapid Transition Alliance coordinator Andrew Simms _____ industry
 - a. purged the sports
 - b. urged the sports
 - c. merged the sports
 - d. surged the sports
- 7) Sport provides some of society's most _____
 - a. influential role models
 - b. influential parole models
 - c. influential droll models
 - d. influential rule models
- 8) If sport can change how it operates to act at the speed _____
 - a. and shale necessary
 - b. and snail necessary
 - c. and stale necessary
 - d. and scale necessary
- 9) The report's author, David Goldblatt, said sport should _____
 - a. be more pre-active
 - b. be more flow active
 - c. be more protective
 - d. be more proactive
- 10) make a huge contribution to making it the common-sense _____ politics
 - a. priority of all
 - b. priority offal
 - c. priority off all
 - d. priority of fall

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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A new study has revealed that climate change will threaten global sports events over the (1) _____. The report was published by the Rapid Transition Alliance. This (2) _____ change, development and global issues. Researchers said that nearly all sports would be impacted by what they called "an (3) _____". They highlighted how the weather has already disrupted major sports events. Bushfires in Australia made playing (4) _____ the Australian Tennis Open and torrential rain from a (5) _____ last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The report predicts that fires, floods, heatwaves and (6) _____ will cause greater disruption.

Rapid Transition Alliance coordinator Andrew Simms (7) _____ industry to do more to become carbon-neutral. He said: "Sport provides some of society's (8) _____ models. If sport can change how it operates to act at the (9) _____ necessary to halt the climate emergency, others will follow." He added that the carbon emissions from sports events worldwide are (10) _____ produced by a medium-sized country. The report's author, David Goldblatt, said sport should (11) _____. He said: "Making a carbon-zero world the common-sense priority of the sports world would make a huge contribution to making it the common-sense priority (12) _____."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

1. Over what timeframe did a study say the climate would threaten sports?
2. What kind of climate crisis did researchers say there was?
3. What created hazardous playing conditions at the Australian Open?
4. What kind of rain disrupted the Rugby World Cup?
5. What will cause disruption besides fires, floods and heatwaves?
6. What did a coordinator urge the sports industry to do?
7. What influential things did the coordinator say sport provides?
8. What did the coordinator equate sports industry emissions to?
9. What did the report's author say the sports industry needed to be?
10. What kind of priority did the author write about?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

- 1) Over what timeframe did a study say the climate would threaten sports?
 - a) the remainder of this century
 - b) the coming years
 - c) three decades
 - d) months
- 2) What kind of climate crisis did researchers say there was?
 - a) an accelerating crisis
 - b) a serious crisis
 - c) a manageable crisis
 - d) a decades-old crisis
- 3) What created hazardous playing conditions at the Australian Open?
 - a) flies
 - b) bushfires
 - c) heat
 - d) a slippery surface
- 4) What kind of rain disrupted the Rugby World Cup?
 - a) non-stop rain
 - b) endless rain
 - c) freezing rain
 - d) torrential typhoon rain
- 5) What will cause disruption besides fires, floods and heatwaves?
 - a) terrorists
 - b) cyber attacks
 - c) rising sea levels
 - d) viruses
- 6) What did a coordinator urge the sports industry to do?
 - a) help the young
 - b) become carbon neutral
 - c) redistribute wealth
 - d) hold events indoors
- 7) What influential things did the coordinator say sport provides?
 - a) world records
 - b) medals
 - c) prestigious events
 - d) role models
- 8) What did the coordinator equate sports industry emissions to?
 - a) the oil industry
 - b) those of a medium-sized country
 - c) fossil fuel emissions
 - d) the industrial revolution
- 9) What did the report's author say the sports industry needed to be?
 - a) more competitive
 - b) more proactive
 - c) more profitable
 - d) more inclusive
- 10) What kind of priority did the author write about?
 - a) a common-sense priority
 - b) an urgent priority
 - c) a pressing priority
 - d) priority number one

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Football

You think football is the best sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): skiing, archery or horse racing.

Role B – Skiing

You think skiing is the best sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): football, archery or horse racing.

Role C – Archery

You think archery is the best sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): skiing, football or horse racing.

Role D – Horse Racing

You think horse racing is the best sport. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sports. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): skiing, archery or football.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'global' and 'sport'.

global	sport

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• new• published• nearly• already• huge• rising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• urged• some• act• equal• should• all
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SPORTS EVENTS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about sports events in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

SPORTS EVENTS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'sports'?
3. What do you think of sports?
4. Why do so many people not enjoy watching sports?
5. What is the best sport in the world?
6. What do you think of your country's national sport?
7. How might climate change affect sport?
8. Should all sport be held inside?
9. What are the benefits of sports to the world?
10. How can sports deal with climate change?

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SPORTS EVENTS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'event'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What can sports events do to be carbon neutral?
15. Who are sports biggest role models?
16. How do sports events create global emissions?
17. Should sports events be carbon neutral before they can go ahead?
18. What's your favourite sport and why?
19. How big a priority is carbon-zero sports events?
20. What questions would you like to ask the researchers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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A new study has revealed (1) _____ climate change will threaten global sports events over the next three decades. The report was (2) _____ by the Rapid Transition Alliance. This group monitors climate change, development and global issues. Researchers said that nearly all sports would be (3) _____ by what they called "an accelerating climate crisis". They highlighted how the weather has already disrupted major sports events. Bushfires in Australia (4) _____ playing conditions hazardous at the Australian Tennis Open and (5) _____ rain from a huge typhoon disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The report predicts that fires, floods, heatwaves and rising sea levels will cause (6) _____ disruption.

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) which | (b) what | (c) whatever | (d) that |
| 2. | (a) perished | (b) polished | (c) punished | (d) published |
| 3. | (a) reported | (b) impacted | (c) started | (d) reacted |
| 4. | (a) hazed | (b) fazed | (c) made | (d) did |
| 5. | (a) torrential | (b) spitting | (c) showery | (d) light |
| 6. | (a) greater | (b) madly | (c) wet | (d) pent up |
| 7. | (a) paged | (b) raged | (c) ogre | (d) urged |
| 8. | (a) role | (b) super | (c) fashion | (d) scale |
| 9. | (a) by | (b) to | (c) at | (d) of |
| 10. | (a) them | (b) these | (c) those | (d) that |
| 11. | (a) fun | (b) competitive | (c) proactive | (d) profitable |
| 12. | (a) make | (b) making | (c) made | (d) makes |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. A new study has eeelvrda that
2. over the next three ecddesa
3. what they called an cteaegiarcln climate crisis
4. made playing conditions hodzusaar
5. noartreitl rain from a huge typhoon
6. rising sea levels will cause greater sidpurton

Paragraph 2

7. Rapid Transition Alliance oiortdrcaon
8. do more to become carbon-autnrle
9. some of society's most ieltialfnu role models
10. carbon ssoenimis
11. sport should be more toepiravc
12. making it the common-sense ipiryort

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () change how it operates to act at the speed and scale necessary to halt the climate emergency, others will
- () decades. The report was published by the Rapid Transition Alliance. This group monitors
- () accelerating climate crisis". They highlighted how the weather has already disrupted major
- () neutral. He said: "Sport provides some of society's most influential role models. If sport can
- () follow." He added that the carbon emissions from sports events worldwide are equal to those produced by a medium-
- () world the common-sense priority of the sports world would make a huge
- (**1**) A new study has revealed that climate change will threaten global sports events over the next three
- () fires, floods, heatwaves and rising sea levels will cause greater disruption.
- () sized country. The report's author, David Goldblatt, said sport should be more proactive. He said: "Making a carbon-zero
- () rain from a huge typhoon disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The report predicts that
- () Rapid Transition Alliance coordinator Andrew Simms urged the sports industry to do more to become carbon-
- () climate change, development and global issues. Researchers said that nearly all sports would be impacted by what they called "an
- () contribution to making it the common-sense priority of all politics."
- () sports events. Bushfires in Australia made playing conditions hazardous at the Australian Tennis Open and torrential

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

1. sports Global over decades . next the events three
2. sports said nearly be impacted . all would Researchers
3. sports has events . weather The major disrupted already
4. conditions Australia in made playing hazardous . Bushfires
5. will levels disruption . greater sea cause Rising
6. industry sports do urged the to more . Simms
7. provides some models . Sport role society's of influential
8. can operates . how change sport If it
9. medium-sized to by Equal country . produced a those
10. the of all Making priority common-sense politics . it

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

A new study has *revelation / revealed* that climate change will threaten global sports events *over / under* the next three decades. The report was published *by / to* the Rapid Transition Alliance. This group monitors climate change, development and *globally / global* issues. Researchers said that nearly all sports would be *impacted / compacted* by what they called "an *accelerating / decelerating* climate crisis". They highlighted how the weather has *still / already* disrupted major sports events. Bushfires in Australia made playing conditions hazardous at the Australian Tennis Open and *torrential / torrentially* rain from a huge typhoon *disrupted / erupted* last year's Rugby World Cup in Japan. The report predicts that fires, floods, heatwaves and *raising / rising* sea levels will cause greater disruption.

Rapid Transition Alliance coordinator Andrew Simms *purged / urged* the sports industry to do *more / much* to become carbon-neutral. He said: "Sport *providing / provides* some of society's most influential *role / scale* models. If sport can change how it operates to act at the speed and scale necessary to *halt / fault* the climate emergency, others will follow." He added that the carbon emissions from sports events worldwide are *equally / equal* to those produced *to / by* a medium-sized country. The report's author, David Goldblatt, said sport should be more *productive / proactive*. He said: "Making a carbon-zero world the common-sense priority of the sports world would make a huge contribution *to / by* making it the common-sense priority of *all / every* politics."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200622-sports-events.html>

A n_w s t_d y h_s r_v__ l_d t h_t c l_m_t_ c h_n
g_ w_l l t h_r__ t_n g l_b_l s p_r_t s _v_n_t s _v_r t
h_ n_x t t h_r__ d_c_d_s . T h_ r_p_r_t w_s p_b_l_s
h_d b_y t h_ R_p_d T r_n s_t__ n A l_l__ n_c_ . T h_s
g r__ p m_n_t_r_s c l_m_t_ c h_n_g_ , d_v_l_p m_n_t _n
d g l_b_l _s_s__ s . R_s__ r_c_h_r_s s__ d t h_t n__ r
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t__ n .

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r_w S_m_m_s _r_g_d t h_ s p_r_t s _n_d_s_t_r_y t_ d_
m_r_ t_ b_c_m_ c_r_b_n - n__ t_r_l . H_ s__ d : " S
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. SPORTS EVENTS: Make a poster about sports events. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. CARBON NEUTRAL: Write a magazine article about banning all sports events that are not carbon neutral. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on sports events. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to make sports events more carbon neutral. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. d 2. b 3. f 4. c 5. g 6. a 7. e
8. k 9. l 10. i 11. h 12. n 13. j 14. m

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a T b F c F d T e F f T g T h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. j	2. c	3. g	4. e	5. a
6. h	7. b	8. i	9. f	10. d

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Three decades
2. An accelerating climate crisis
3. Bushfires
4. Torrential (typhoon) rain
5. Rising sea levels
6. Become carbon-neutral
7. Role models
8. Those of a third-world country
9. More proactive
10. A common-sense priority

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Global sports events over the next three decades.
2. Researchers said nearly all sports would be impacted.
3. The weather has already disrupted major sports events.
4. Bushfires in Australia made playing conditions hazardous.
5. Rising sea levels will cause greater disruption.
6. Simms urged the sports industry to do more.
7. Sport provides some of society's influential role models.
8. If sport can change how it operates.
9. Equal to those produced by a medium-sized country.
10. Making it the common-sense priority of all politics.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)