

Matching

I can understand specific details in an article.

1 **SPEAKING** Look at the photos of two tennis players on page 35. Discuss how sports gear has evolved over the last century.

2 **SPEAKING** Follow the instructions below.

- Look at the photos below and describe the sports gear using the words in the box.

(aerodynamic composite enlarged)
(streamlined ultra-light)

- Look quickly through the four texts on page 35 to find one more piece of modern sports gear.
- Discuss other examples of technological innovation in sport.



READING FOCUS Matching

3 Read texts A–D. Which statements 1–5 match them correctly? Write the answers in your notebook. One text has two matching statements.

In which text does the writer ...

- mention the extremes which the human body can reach?
- question the value of the sporting results of our times?
- mention the link between sport, technology and danger?
- discuss and unfair non-financial edge that technology can bring?
- present athletes' concerns regarding technology?

4 In your notebook, rewrite the sentences replacing the underlined words and phrases with the words in blue from the texts. Make any other changes if necessary.

- Great progress has been achieved in terms of increasing participant safety so athletes can have longer careers. *Huge strides have been made in terms of increasing participant safety so athletes can have longer careers.*
- The Olympic Games a century ago looked very different from the Games today.
- Most people agree that an athlete's skill in their field cannot be fully explained by the use of advanced equipment.
- There are no limits to people's resourcefulness when it comes to technological innovation in sport.
- Even equipment that is apparently very ordinary, such as shoes, has improved enormously.
- Today, a lot of money depends on how well an athlete performs.
- Another benefit of technological advances is that more people can get involved in sports that used to be exclusive.
- Modern athletes are very happy to take advantage of advances in sporting technology.
- This is because, over the past century, sporting technology has developed equipment that has been improving all the time.

5 In your notebook, write word families consisting of two or three parts of speech using the words underlined in the texts.

NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE
accomplishment	<u>accomplish</u>	<u>accomplished</u>

FOCUS ON WORDS | Collocations

6 1.31 In your notebook, complete the collocations highlighted in the texts on page 35. Then listen and check.

- enhance performance
- draw ?
- push ?
- set ?
- fuel ?

7 **SPEAKING** In your notebook, complete the questions with the correct forms of the collocations in Exercise 6. Then ask and answer.

- Is sports technology limited to enhance performance? If not, does it also extend into injury prevention or rehabilitation?
- Are we likely to reach the point where athletes will no longer be able to ? because technology can't improve their performance any further?
- How will nutrition and training change? Will they continue to ? in sport? Why?/Why not?
- When it comes to using technology in sport, where do we ? between what is fair and unfair?
- How much longer can sports science ? to find how far it can go?