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SPORTS IN THE UK

Watch a video about sports in the UK. For questions 1 to 7, choose the correct answer.

1. Cricket...
   a. was the most popular sport in the UK.
   b. is not very popular in Scotland.
   c. is very popular in the UK, especially in Scotland.

2. Cricket can be confusing because...
   a. all the player's uniforms are the same color.
   b. it's complicated to understand.
   c. the rules change constantly.

3. Which sentence is correct?
   a. Cricket is only played in the UK and Asia.
   b. England is not always the best cricket team.
   c. England normally beats the other national cricket teams.

4. 'Rounders' ...
   a. is played in the United States.
   b. is only played by girls.
   c. is similar to baseball and cricket.

5. Which sentence is correct?
   a. More than one million people practice jogging.
   b. People go jogging in the evening.
   c. Jogging is popular in areas with modern offices.

6. In the UK,...
   a. there is an important tennis tournament in July.
   b. it's not easy to play tennis because of the weather.
   c. you can play tennis in most parks.

7. Rollerblading...
   a. was more popular in the past.
   b. is very popular.
   c. is dangerous.

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TRANSCRIPTION

Cricket is a popular national sport in the UK although not many people play in Scotland.

It can be confusing because all the players play in white but it's not complicated when you start playing.

Cricket is played in Australia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and India. These are all ex British colonies or territories which have become strong international teams, often beating England.

This is 'rounders', a game similar to baseball in the United States, often played by girls in schools. It's a bit like cricket. You hit the ball and then run as fast as you can from base to base. Run quickly or you'll be out.

Britain's parks are a great place to go jogging, and over 1 million people practice this sport. A lot of people go jogging in their lunch break to keep fit. It's also a great way to get away from the stress of modern office life.

There are tennis courts in nearly every UK park, so it's easy to play. Unfortunately, there are very few British champions in this sport, even if Britain holds one of the most important tournaments in world tennis, Wimbledon, in southwest London. The tournament is played in June and is on grass.

Rollerblading is less popular in the UK now compared to years ago but it's still a great way to keep fit if you go down to the south bank near the River Thames. You can see some alternative sports such as skateboarding or BMX stunt riding. Or this, at the nearby Festival Pier. Looks fun, doesn't it? But don't try it at home.

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ANSWER KEY

1. b.
2. a.
3. b.
4. c.
5. a.
6. c.
7. a.

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