Course: Beginner Level 2

Day №20

Adventures

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Have you done any of these things?

Which of the following was shown in the first page?

climbing Kilimanjaro
crossing the Sahara
flying a small aircraft
flying in a hot-air balloon
rowing across the Atlantic
sailing around the world
walking to the South Pole

Match the following

1	climb	a	a boat, across the lake
2	cross	b	a plane, a helicopter, a kite
3	fly	c	a hill, a mountain, a tree
4	row	d	a boat, a ship, across the ocean
5	sail	e	a river, a desert, an ocean

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Read the Dialogue

P = Presenter, A = Author

P: Let's talk about your new book now. It's called *Modern-day Adventurers*. What exactly do you mean by 'adventurer'?

A: Mmm, that isn't an easy question. It's probably best to give you some examples of adventurers.

P: OK ...

A: Take Jessica Watson.

P: I've heard the name. What's she done exactly?

A: She's sailed solo around the world, you know, on her own, and she's only sixteen. And then there's Ramona Cox.

P: I haven't heard of her.

A: She's done lots of solo flying – long flights in small aircraft. But perhaps the most remarkable adventurer is Ben Fogle, the TV presenter. He's cycled across Europe, he's walked, and run across the desert, he's ...

P: Hold on ... what hasn't he done?

A: I don't know! His most famous adventure was crossing the Antarctic; it was a race actually – a race of over 500 kilometres to the South Pole. He and James Cracknell did it in January 2009, and it took seventeen days.

P: James Cracknell ... now what has he done?

A: He's won two Olympic gold medals in rowing – that's how you know him, but he's also rowed across the Atlantic, with Ben Fogle – that's over 2,500 kilometres; they did that in 2006, again in a race. It took them fifty days and they came fourth.

P: Very impressive! And you mentioned the desert.

A: Oh, yes. Ben Fogle has done the Sand Marathon – that was in 2004; it's a race across 200 kilometres of the Sahara Desert. That took him seven days. And he's also cycled across Europe – that was when he was much younger. He cycled to Monaco with a group of friends in 1993, and they did it in nine days.

P: What about mountains? Has he ever climbed a mountain?

A: Yes, he has. He's climbed several! He climbed Kilimanjaro in 2006 – that was his fourth peak of over 6,000 metres ...

P: This is amazing ...

A: Yes, well, now you know what I mean by adventurer!

Listening

2 2.33 Listen to part of a TV chat show. What is an adventurer?

3 **a** Listen again. Which of these things <u>hasn't</u> Ben Fogle done?

1 cycled across Europe
2 made long solo flights in a small aircraft
3 walked to the South Pole
4 climbed a mountain
5 sailed around the world

b Listen again and complete the chart with details about Ben Fogle's adventures.

Adventure	When?	How long?	How far?
Antarctic	*2009*	*17 days*	*500+ km*
Atlantic			
Sahara			
Monaco			
Kilimanjaro			

Match the following

Match the questions (1–4) with the answers (a–d).

1 I've *heard* of Jessica Watson. What's she *done*? ☐
2 What has James Cracknell *done*? ☐
3 What has Ben Fogle *done*? ☐
4 Has he *climbed* a mountain? ☐

a He's *won* two Olympic gold medals but he's also *rowed* across the Atlantic.
b Yes, he has.
c He's *crossed* the Antarctic, he's *cycled* across Europe, he's *walked* and *run* across the Sahara ...
d She's *sailed* around the world.

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Grammar

Active grammar

Regular verbs		Irregular verbs	
Infinitive	Past participle	Infinitive	Past participle
climb	*climbed*	*take*	*taken*
row	_____	*do*	_____
cycle	_____	*win*	_____
walk	_____	*run*	_____
sail	_____	*hear*	_____

1 In the Present Perfect, we use *have/has* + past participle with *he*, *she* and *it*. (We use *have/has* + past participle with *I*, *you*, *we* and *they*.)

2 *Regular/Irregular* past participles have the same form as the regular Past Simple.

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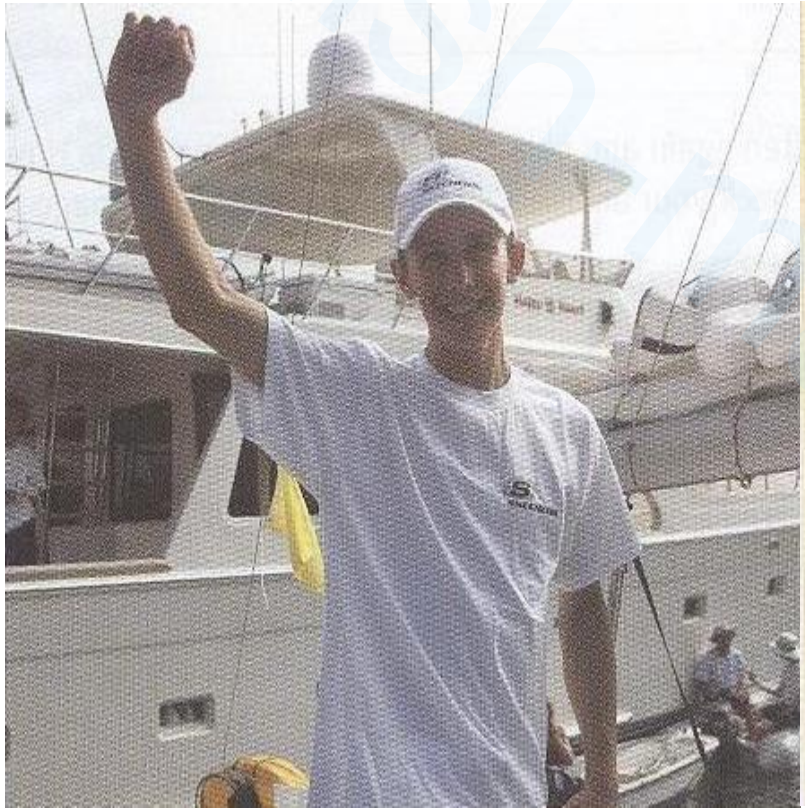
Complete the following



Mike Perham is an ordinary young man. He (1) ***has been*** (be) skiing, he (2) _____ (climb) hills and mountains, and he (3) _____ (leave) school.

But in one way Mike is different from most people – he (4) _____ (live) his dream! Mike (5) _____ (cross) the Atlantic in a small boat – solo (but his father followed him) – and he (6) _____ (sail) solo around the world, too. He was 17 when he did that, but Jessica Watson did the same thing at only 16. Also, Mike (7) _____ (write) a book about his experiences at sea.

Now he wants to compete in the next Olympics.

Thank you for today!

We're looking forward to seeing you again!

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