

1. The Tour de France, a cycling race that takes place over three weeks in July,  
 2. is one of the world's most popular sporting events. Every year, about  
 3. 14 million people stand along the sides of the road in France to watch the  
 4. riders. ( 36 ), the race is shown live on television in more than 50  
 5. countries. The history of the Tour de France goes back over 100 year.

6. \*Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank from these choices.

7. (36) 1 In addition 2 By mistake 3 Sadly 4 Instead

### Further Questions&sample answers

8. 1) What is the Tour de France?

9. *It is a cycling race that takes place over three weeks in July.*

10. 2) How many people watch the race alongside the road?

11. *Every year, about 14 million people watch the riders.*

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23. (37) 1 check 2 order 3 keep 4 sell

### Further Questions



24. 4) Where were most of the early cycling races held?

25. *They were held on tracks in special arenas.*

26. 5) Who had the idea of organizing the first Tour de France?

27. *Henri Desgrange had the idea of organizing the first Tour de France.*

28. 6) How many cyclists were able to finish the first Tour de France?

29. *Only 21 cyclists finished it.*

30. Later, the race was made even longer, and new stages through the mountains  
 31. were added. Some of the riders became ( 38 ) for their strength and fighting  
 32. spirit. In 1913, for example, Eugène Christophe broke his bicycle while riding  
 33. through the Pyrenees Mountains. He carried it 16 kilometers back to the nearest



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34. village, borrowed tools to repair it, and then continued the race. As a result, he  
 35. became well known throughout France. Today, the Tour de France is still known  
 36. as one of the toughest events in any sport.

\*Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank from these choices.

37. (38) 1 necessary      2 famous      3 sorry      4 ready

### Further Questions&A



38. 7) What did the riders become famous for?

39. *Some of the riders became famous for their strength and fighting spirit.*

40. 8) What did Eugéne Christophe do when his bicycle broke?

41. *He carried it 16 kilometers back to the nearest village,*

42. *borrowed tools to repair it, and then continued the race.*

**Vocabularies:** Try to memorize these words yourself without looking at the Japanese translations.

**For Teachers:** Have the student read the word in English, correct their pronunciation then say it together. Then have the student say it in Japanese before saying again in English. After you have done

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51. 2 my mother **ordered** me to clean my room.

52. 3 I found a cat and my father let me **keep** it.

53. 4 I got a new car, so I am going to **sell** my old one.

54. (38) 1 It is **necessary** to write in pencil, pens will not work.

55. 2 Osaka is **famous** for its takoyaki.

56. 3 I am **sorry** for bumping into you! I wasn't watching where I was going.

57. 4 Are you **ready** for class yet?

### Answers for "Vocabularies".

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## Review Questions



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