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Level 6

Adidas suspends sponsorship of athlete Tyson Gay

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THE ARTICLE

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Sportswear manufacturer Adidas has suspended its sponsorship of U.S. sprinter Tyson Gay after the athlete failed a drugs test. Mr Gay, 30, is the joint second-fastest man ever over 100 metres and the fastest man in the world this year. He tested positive for a banned substance in an out-of-competition test on May 16. An Adidas spokesman said: "We are shocked by these recent allegations. Even if we presume his innocence until proven otherwise, our contract with Tyson is currently suspended." The sportswear giant had been sponsoring Gay since 2005. It has the right to terminate the contract, "if the athlete is found guilty of the possession or use of drugs or any other prohibited substance".

Gay is currently waiting to hear the results of his B-test, following the illegal stimulant being found in his initial A-test. He told reporters on Monday that he did not knowingly take part in any doping programme. He said: "I don't have a sabotage story. I basically put my trust in someone and was let down. I know exactly what went on, but I can't discuss it right now." He said he was still optimistic about the future, saying: "I hope I am able to run again, but I will take whatever punishment I get like a man." News of Gay's positive test emerged shortly after another sprinter, Jamaica's former 100m world record holder Asafa Powell, was also revealed to have failed a drugs test.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/0/athletics/23317715>
<http://www.espn.co.uk/athletics/sport/story/221579.html#>
<http://olympictalk.nbcsports.com/2013/07/15/tyson-gay-adidas-suspends-positive-drug-test/>

WARM-UPS

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

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words from the article are most interesting and which are most boring.

sportswear / sponsorship / athlete / drugs test / allegations / banned / innocence / illegal / doping programme / sabotage / trust / be let down / optimistic / punishment

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

3. SUBSTANCES: What punishment should these people get if they use banned substances? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners and share often.

Job	Punishment?	Why?
Athlete		
Politician		
Doctor		
Actor		
Teacher		
Company CEO		

4. SUSPENDED: Students A **strongly** believe Tyson Gay should only be suspended if found guilty; Students B **strongly** believe he should be suspended now. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. SHOCKED: Rank these and share your rankings with your partner. Put who would most shock you for drug use at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- an Olympic sprinter
- your country's leader
- a famous actor
- a religious leader
- a police chief
- a leading surgeon
- a pilot
- the head of the U.N.

6. ATHLETE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word 'athlete'. Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

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

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. Adidas has announced its sponsorship deal with Adidas is over. | T / F |
| b. Gay failed a test immediately after running in a world race in May. | T / F |
| c. Adidas said it believes Gay is guilty. | T / F |
| d. Adidas has sponsored Gay since 2005. | T / F |
| e. Gay is now waiting to find out the results of a follow-up drug test. | T / F |
| f. Gay said he has no knowledge of any doping programme. | T / F |
| g. Gay vowed to fight any punishment he receives. | T / F |
| h. Another top sprinter failed a drug test just before Gay did. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. manufacturer | a. presently |
| 2. suspended | b. hopeful |
| 3. substance | c. illegal |
| 4. allegations | d. consciously |
| 5. prohibited | e. maker |
| 6. currently | f. penalty |
| 7. knowingly | g. claims |
| 8. trust | h. put on hold |
| 9. optimistic | i. faith |
| 10. punishment | j. material |

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

- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| 1. the joint second- | a. until proven otherwise |
| 2. we presume his innocence | b. and was let down |
| 3. sportswear | c. stimulant |
| 4. It has the right to | d. take part in any doping |
| 5. drugs or any other | e. fastest man ever |
| 6. illegal | f. what went on |
| 7. he did not knowingly | g. terminate the contract |
| 8. I basically put my trust in someone | h. I get like a man |
| 9. I know exactly | i. prohibited substance |
| 10. I will take whatever punishment | j. giant |

GAP FILL

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Sportswear manufacturer Adidas has (1) _____ its sponsorship of U.S. sprinter Tyson Gay after the athlete failed a drugs test. Mr Gay, 30, is the (2) _____ second-fastest man ever over 100 metres and the fastest man in the world this year. He tested positive for a (3) _____ substance in an out-of-competition test on May 16. An Adidas spokesman said: "We are shocked by these recent (4) _____. Even if we presume his (5) _____ until proven otherwise, our contract with Tyson is currently suspended." The sportswear (6) _____ had been sponsoring Gay since 2005. It has the (7) _____ to terminate the contract, "if the athlete is found guilty of the (8) _____ or use of drugs or any other prohibited substance".

banned
right
giant
suspended
possession
allegations
joint
innocence

Gay is currently waiting to hear the results of his B-test, (9) _____ the illegal stimulant being found in his (10) _____ A-test. He told reporters on Monday that he did not (11) _____ take part in any doping programme. He said: "I don't have a (12) _____ story. I basically put my trust in someone and was let down. I know exactly what went on, but I can't discuss it right now." He said he was still (13) _____ about the future, saying: "I hope I am able to run again, but I will take whatever (14) _____ I get like a man." News of Gay's positive test (15) _____ shortly after another sprinter, Jamaica's former 100m world record holder Asafa Powell, was also (16) _____ to have failed a drugs test.

punishment
knowingly
following
revealed
optimistic
initial
sabotage
emerged

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

- 1) Mr Gay, 30, is the _____ man ever over 100 metres
 - a. joint second-fastest
 - b. joined second-fastest
 - c. join to second-fastest
 - d. join second-fastest
- 2) He tested positive for a banned substance _____ competition test
 - a. in and out-of-
 - b. and an out-of-
 - c. in an outer
 - d. in an out-of-
- 3) Even if we presume his innocence _____
 - a. until prove an otherwise
 - b. until proven other wise
 - c. until prove van otherwise
 - d. until proven otherwise
- 4) It has the right to _____
 - a. terminated the contract
 - b. terminates the contract
 - c. terminate the contract
 - d. terminating the contract
- 5) found guilty of the possession or use of drugs or any _____
 - a. other prohibited substances
 - b. other prohibited substance
 - c. other prohibited sub stance
 - d. other prohibited substantial
- 6) Gay is currently waiting to hear the _____
 - a. results of his be test
 - b. results of his B-test
 - c. results of his bee-test
 - d. results of his be tested
- 7) He told reporters on Monday that he did not knowingly take part in _____
 - a. any dope in programme
 - b. any dopy programme
 - c. any doped in programme
 - d. any doping programme
- 8) I basically put my trust in someone _____
 - a. and was let up
 - b. and was let down
 - c. and was set down
 - d. and was less down
- 9) He said he was _____ the future
 - a. still optimistically about
 - b. still pessimistic about
 - c. still pessimism about
 - d. still optimistic about
- 10) Asafa Powell was also _____ failed a drugs test
 - a. revealed to have
 - b. reveled to have
 - c. rivaled to have
 - d. re-healed to have

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Sportswear manufacturer Adidas has suspended its sponsorship of U.S. sprinter Tyson Gay (1) _____ a drugs test. Mr Gay, 30, is the joint second-fastest man ever over 100 metres and the fastest man in the world this year. He tested positive for a banned (2) _____ competition test on May 16. An Adidas spokesman said: "We are shocked by (3) _____. Even if we presume his innocence (4) _____, our contract with Tyson is currently suspended." The sportswear giant had been sponsoring Gay since 2005. It has (5) _____ the contract, "if the athlete is found guilty of (6) _____ of drugs or any other prohibited substance".

Gay is currently waiting to hear the results of his B-test, following the illegal stimulant being (7) _____ A-test. He told reporters on Monday that he did not (8) _____ any doping programme. He said: "I don't have a sabotage story. I basically put my trust in someone (9) _____. I know exactly what went on, but I can't discuss it right now." He said he was still optimistic about the future, saying: "I (10) _____ again, but I will take whatever punishment I get like a man." News of Gay's (11) _____ shortly after another sprinter, Jamaica's former 100m world record holder Asafa Powell, was also (12) _____ a drugs test.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

1. What kind of manufacturer is Adidas?

2. How fast is Gay in terms of sprinting history?

3. How does Adidas feel about the doping claims?

4. When did Adidas start sponsoring Gay?

5. For what reason can Adidas end its contract with Gay?

6. What is Gay waiting for at the moment?

7. What did the person Gay trusted do to him?

8. How does Gay feel about the future?

9. How will Gay react to any punishment given to him?

10. What happened just before the news about Gay broke?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

1. What kind of manufacturer is Adidas?
 - a) athletic equipment
 - b) a drug company
 - c) sportswear
 - d) sprinting machines
2. How fast is Gay in terms of sprinting history?
 - a) the joint second-fastest ever
 - b) he's the world-record holder
 - c) the fastest sprinter in 2005
 - d) number four
3. How does Adidas feel about the doping claims?
 - a) furious
 - b) shocked
 - c) understanding
 - d) supportive
4. When did Adidas start sponsoring Gay?
 - a) 2008
 - b) 2007
 - c) 2006
 - d) 2005
5. For what reason can Adidas end its contract with Gay?
 - a) for not winning gold medals
 - b) lying
 - c) drug use or possession
 - d) not trying hard enough
6. What is Gay waiting for at the moment?
 - a) the 2016 Olympics
 - b) the results of a test
 - c) a lawyer
 - d) his fans' reaction
7. What did the person Gay trusted do to him?
 - a) told officials about him
 - b) cheated him
 - c) punched him
 - d) let him down
8. How does Gay feel about the future?
 - a) no real feelings
 - b) hopeful
 - c) fearful
 - d) distressed
9. How will Gay react to any punishment given to him?
 - a) he doesn't care
 - b) like a man
 - c) angrily
 - d) he'll take it to court
10. What happened just before the news about Gay broke?
 - a) news that Asafa Powell failed a drug test broke
 - b) Gay broke the world record
 - c) Jamaica suspended all its sprinters
 - d) an athletics chief said the sport was drug-free

ROLE PLAY

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Role A – Tyson Gay

You believe you are innocent. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them it is impossible for any athlete to understand what is in the food and training supplement you get. Someone you really trusted let you down. Ask to be given a second chance.

Role B – Athletics chief

You think Gay should be banned for life if he's found guilty. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them also you will start the biggest anti-doping measures any sport has ever seen. Tell them athletics is the most important sport in the world too be kept clean.

Role C – Adidas boss

You are tired of sports stars turning to performance-boosting substances. Tell the others three reasons why. If Gay is innocent, you want to sue him. Tell the others three reasons why. You think so many sports stars use drugs it is simply better to allow anyone to use anything.

Role D – Tyson Gay fan

You are angry with Adidas for suspending Gay. Tell the others three reasons why. You want Adidas to support him, especially when he hasn't even been found guilty yet. It's not Gay's fault. He should not get banned. Athletes are not scientists – they don't know what's inside food and medicine.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

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

drug	test

- 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">• after• joint• positive• recent• giant• found	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• hear• part• trust• future• man• former
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DOPING SURVEY

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Write five GOOD questions about doping 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.

DOPING DISCUSSION

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

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'doping'?
- c) What do you think of athletes who use illegal substances?
- d) How surprised are you at the news of 2 top sprinters failing drug tests?
- e) Is Adidas right to suspend Gay even though he hasn't been proven guilty?
- f) What should happen to Gay's records and medals if he is guilty?
- g) How much of a risk do companies take when they sponsor sports stars?
- h) How many top sports stars do you think use illegal stimulants?
- i) Should Gay face trial for dishonouring the contract with Adidas?
- j) Do Gay's actions reflect badly on Adidas in any way?

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DOPING DISCUSSION

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

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) What is the biggest sporting scandal ever?
- c) Is it OK for a sports star to say they didn't know?
- d) How can athletes make 100% certain that no prohibited substances enter their body?
- e) How do you think Usain Bolt feels about all this?
- f) How do you think the person Gay trusted let him down?
- g) Do you think Gay will run again in international events?
- h) What punishment should Gay get if he's found guilty?
- i) What damage have Gay and Powell done to athletics?
- j) What questions would you like to ask Tyson Gay?

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. _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE - LANGUAGE

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Gay is currently waiting to hear the results of his B-test, following the illegal stimulant being found in his (7) ____ A-test. He told reporters on Monday that he did not (8) ____ take part in any doping programme. He said: "I don't have a sabotage story. I basically put my trust in someone and was (9) ____ down. I know exactly what went on, but I can't discuss it right now." He said he was still optimistic (10) ____ the future, saying: "I hope I am able to run again, but I will take whatever punishment I get like a man." News of Gay's positive test emerged (11) ____ after another sprinter, Jamaica's former 100m world record holder Asafa Powell, was also (12) ____ to have failed a drugs test.

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

- | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. (a) splitter | (b) sprinter | (c) spinster | (d) splinter |
| 2. (a) jointly | (b) joined | (c) joins | (d) joint |
| 3. (a) via | (b) for | (c) on | (d) at |
| 4. (a) flagellations | (b) congregations | (c) allegations | (d) allocations |
| 5. (a) otherwise | (b) others | (c) otherworldly | (d) the others |
| 6. (a) right | (b) fair | (c) correct | (d) proper |
| 7. (a) starting | (b) freshman | (c) letter | (d) initial |
| 8. (a) knowingly | (b) knowledge | (c) knew | (d) knowhow |
| 9. (a) set | (b) let | (c) get | (d) bet |
| 10. (a) with | (b) regard | (c) about | (d) around |
| 11. (a) lengthily | (b) slimly | (c) shortly | (d) early |
| 12. (a) rived | (b) revealed | (c) reveled | (d) revolved |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. Sportswear uanruecmrfat Adidas
2. shocked by these recent otniglaaels
3. presume his inneccone until proven otherwise
4. It has the right to ineattemr the contract
5. the osessonisp or use of drugs
6. ... or any other hiiebordpt substance

Paragraph 2

7. illegal tanulmtsi
8. I don't have a tbeasgao story
9. he was still icpiiomtst about the future
10. I will take whatever ntiuspehmn I get
11. News of Gay's positive test degmree shortly
12. rlevaede to have failed a drugs test

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () giant had been sponsoring Gay since 2005. It has the right to terminate the contract, "if the athlete is found
- () his innocence until proven otherwise, our contract with Tyson is currently suspended." The sportswear
- () story. I basically put my trust in someone and was let down. I know exactly what went
- (**1**) Sportswear manufacturer Adidas has suspended its sponsorship of U.S. sprinter Tyson Gay after the
- () I am able to run again, but I will take whatever punishment I get like a man." News of Gay's positive
- () Gay is currently waiting to hear the results of his B-test, following the illegal stimulant being found in his initial
- () A-test. He told reporters on Monday that he did not knowingly take part in any doping programme. He said: "I don't have a sabotage
- () guilty of the possession or use of drugs or any other prohibited substance".
- () athlete failed a drugs test. Mr Gay, 30, is the joint second-fastest man ever over 100 metres and the
- () competition test on May 16. An Adidas spokesman said: "We are shocked by these recent allegations. Even if we presume
- () test emerged shortly after another sprinter, Jamaica's former 100m world record
- () fastest man in the world this year. He tested positive for a banned substance in an out-of-
- () on, but I can't discuss it right now." He said he was still optimistic about the future, saying: "I hope
- () holder Asafa Powell, was also revealed to have failed a drugs test.

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

1. fastest man ever over 100 metres The joint- second.

2. test competition - out-of an in substance banned A.

3. otherwise if his proven Even presume until we innocence.

4. to It terminate has the the contract right.

5. use of or drugs guilty possession of Found the.

6. results currently the is B-test hear Gay his to of waiting.

7. take part in any doping programme He did not knowingly.

8. was about he optimistic future said still the He.

9. whatever punishment I get like a man I will take.

10. a drugs test Powell was also revealed to have failed.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Sportswear manufacturer Adidas has suspended *its / this* sponsorship of U.S. sprinter Tyson Gay after the athlete failed a drugs test. Mr Gay, 30, is the *joint / jointly* second-fastest man ever *over / on top of* 100 metres and the fastest man in the world this year. He tested positive for a banned substance in *an / and* out-of-competition test on May 16. An Adidas spokesman said: "We are shocked by these recent *allegation / allegations*. Even if we *resume / presume* his innocence until *proven / proof* otherwise, our contract with Tyson is currently *suspension / suspended*." The sportswear *giant / ogre* had been sponsoring Gay since 2005. It has the right to terminate the contract, "if the athlete is *found / been* guilty of the possession or use of drugs or any other prohibited substance".

Gay is *currently / present* waiting to hear the results of his B-test, *followed / following* the illegal stimulant being found in his *initial / letter* A-test. He told reporters on Monday that he did not *knowhow / knowingly* take part in any doping programme. He said: "I don't have a sabotage story. I basically put my trust *in / on* someone and was let down. I know *precision / exactly* what went on, but I can't discuss it *right / wrong* now." He said he was still optimistic about the future, saying: "I hope I am *able / capable* to run again, but I will take whatever punishment I get like a man." News of Gay's positive test emerged *early / shortly* after another sprinter, Jamaica's former 100m world record holder Asafa Powell, was also *reveled / revealed* to have failed a drugs test.

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)

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_ kn_w _x_ctly wh_t w_nt _n, b_t _ c_n't d_sc_ss _t
r_ght n_w." H_ s__d h_ w_s st_ll _pt_m_st_c _b__t th_
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

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gay is currently waiting to hear the results of his b-test following the illegal stimulant being found in his initial a-test he told reporters on monday that he did not knowingly take part in any doping programme he said "i don't have a sabotage story i basically put my trust in someone and was let down i know exactly what went on but i can't discuss it right now" he said he was still optimistic about the future saying "i hope i am able to run again but i will take whatever punishment i get like a man" news of gay's positive test emerged shortly after another sprinter jamaica's former 100m world record holder asafa powell was also revealed to have failed a drugs test

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FREE WRITING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Write about **athletics** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

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ACADEMIC WRITING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130717-tyson_gay.html

Adidas is wrong to suspend Tyson Gay's sponsorship before all test results are known. Discuss.

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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 doping. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. DOPING: Make a poster about doping. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. SUSPENDED: Write a magazine article about Adidas suspending Tyson Gay's sponsorship. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against it.

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 a sponsorship expert. Ask him/her three questions about Tyson Gay. Give him/her three of your opinions on Gay being suspended. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. manufacturer | a. maker |
| 2. suspended | b. put on hold |
| 3. substance | c. material |
| 4. allegations | d. claims |
| 5. prohibited | e. illegal |
| 6. currently | f. presently |
| 7. knowingly | g. consciously |
| 8. trust | h. faith |
| 9. optimistic | i. hopeful |
| 10. punishment | j. penalty |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. A sportswear manufacturer
2. The joint second-fastest 100-meter runner ever
3. Shocked
4. 2005
5. Drug use or possession
6. The results of a follow-up test (the B-test)
7. Let him down
8. He feels optimistic
9. He'll take it like a man
10. News of Asafa Powell's failed drug test

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

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 ;-)