Would you like to do a bungee jump? You might think twice after watching this clip!

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises to check your understanding. If you need help, you can read the transcript at any time.

1. Preparation
Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a – h next to the number 1 – 8.

1…… a feeling of extreme excitement a. infested
2…… to fall or jump from a high place b. a thrill
3…… filled or overrun by animals in numbers large enough to be harmful or threatening c. to inhale
4…… a dangerous part of a river that flows very fast d. to plunge
5…… to breathe in e. to insist
6…… an amazing event, sometimes believed to be caused by a divine being f. a miracle
7…… not working correctly g. rapids
8…… to say firmly that something is true h. faulty

2. Check your understanding: ordering
Write a number (1-8) to put these sentences in order.

The bungee cord snapped.
Erin swam towards the rocks.
Erin was dragged towards the rapids.
Erin jumped from the platform.
Doctors treated Erin for her injuries.
The company replaced the faulty cord.
Erin coughed up blood and water.
Rescuers reached Erin.
3. Check your understanding: multiple choice
Circle the best answer.

1. Why did Erin fall into the Zambezi River?
   a. Her feet were tied together.
   b. Her bungee cord snapped.
   c. She went headfirst.

2. What was pulling Erin under water?
   a. the rope
   b. the rocks
   c. the crocodiles

3. Why couldn’t Erin breathe when she was pulled out of the water?
   a. She was on her side.
   b. She was on her back.
   c. She was coughing out water and blood.

4. Where was Erin treated?
   a. Australia
   b. South Africa
   c. Victoria Falls

5. How did the bungee company respond?
   a. They said it was a miracle that Erin had survived.
   b. They claimed the cord had been fixed.
   c. They insisted the jumps were safe.

4. Check your language: ordering
Put these words in the correct order by writing a number in the brackets.

1. downstream (__) the rapids (__) towards (__) The Australian student (__) being (__) dragged (__) was (__)

2. Erin (__) out of (__) pulled (__) was (__) the water (__)
3. taken (__) in Zimbabwe (__) and then (__) Erin (__) was (__) to South Africa (__) treated (__) 

4. replaced (__) says (__) The company (__) the faulty cord (__) been (__) has (__) 

5. more seriously hurt (__) were (__) hadn’t been (__) amazed (__) Doctors (__) she (__) 

5. Check your vocabulary: gap fill - adverbs
Complete the gaps with a word from the box.

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1. Erin ___________ had to swim down and yank the bungee cord out of whatever it was caught in.
2. Erin believes that it was ___________ a miracle that she survived.
3. Erin’s jump went ___________ wrong.
4. Doctors couldn’t believe Erin hadn’t been ___________ hurt.
5. That was ___________ a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Would you like to do a bungee jump one day?

Why do you think some people are attracted to extreme sports like bungee jumping?

Do you prefer safe sports or more extreme sports?

Would you like to do or play a sport in another country?