

## Writing Task Sample

### Unit 10 Ready for some weird races? (p.85)

#### A weird but interesting race

*Can you design an unconventional race that can attract people worldwide? Free your imagination and write an article of about 180 words.*

Most competitions and races take place during the day, under the bright glare of the sun, or perhaps on a muddy patch in **torrential** rain.

The race I **propose**, however, takes place at night. What's more, half of the contestants are fast asleep in beds. The contestants are grouped into pairs, one asleep, and one awake.

Now imagine this scenario: the sleeping contestants are lying in their beds, snoring, at the start line. The beds are on wheels. The waking contestants are **tethered** to the beds, ready in their running gear.

The aim of the race is for the waking contestants to pull their sleeping team members along without waking them up. They win bonus points if the sleepers snore—the louder the snores, the higher the score.

The **downside** of my fantasy race is that a lot of equipment is required to execute this contest: From beds on wheels to equipment measuring the **brainwaves** of the sleepers to ensure that they are not faking it, to finding heavy sleepers **in an age of** insomniacs! A bit of **a tall order**, overall.

Yet I **cannot help but** picture a stadium full of fans trying to **suppress** their laughter at all the snoring and the sight of dangling, squeaking trolleys. **What a blast!**

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