

# listening bank

## Sport helps rebuild wrecked lives

You are going to listen to a news story about relief activities in areas affected by the Asian Tsunami of 2004. The presenter interviews a spokesman for the United Nations Development Programme about how sport has helped. Listen to the recording as many times as you need to and answer the questions below. The recording is on the MultiROM at the back of this Student's Book.

- Which of the following sports are mentioned? Tick (✓) those you hear.  
 athletics    basketball    cricket  
 volleyball    football    golf  
 handball    rugby    swimming
- Mark the sentences true (T) or false (F).
  - Sports only played a small role after the tsunami. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Staging a number of sporting events raised money. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Sport is thought to help people overcome the shock of a disastrous event. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Over 50,000 footballs were given to one of the affected areas. \_\_\_\_\_
  - The cricket ground in Sri Lanka will never recover from the disaster. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Michael thinks that people who like sport are crazy. \_\_\_\_\_
- Complete the following sentences from the news story.
  - Sport plays a major part in many people's lives, but how can it help rebuild communities when disaster \_\_\_\_\_.
  - These \_\_\_\_\_ matches kept the disaster in people's minds and helped raise millions of pounds.
  - The UNDP has also helped to other sporting facilities in Aceh including volleyball and basketball courts.
  - Certainly for people like Eddai and his friends the \_\_\_\_\_ of balls and boots gave them something back.
  - As well as rebuilding the village and assisting twenty-five other villages in Sri Lanka, the \_\_\_\_\_ has provided new sports facilities for the village.
  - Youth \_\_\_\_\_ is a crucial element in post-disaster rehabilitation work.

- Now match the words or phrases from 3 with the correct definition below.
  - an organization that is established to provide money for a particular purpose, for example for scientific research or charity
  - sth that is given to a person or an organization such as a charity, in order to help them; the act of giving sth in this way
  - happen suddenly and have a harmful or damaging effect on sb / sth
  - receiving or involving a lot of attention and discussion in the media and from the public
  - to return a building or an area to its previous good condition
  - a policy which gives sb more control over their own life or the situation they are in



### Over to you

- Do you remember hearing about the Asian Tsunami in 2004? Where were you, and what were you doing?
- How important do you think resuming activities like sports really is in such situations?

1 a foundation  
 2 a donation  
 3 a strike  
 4 a match  
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Answer key