X-Games

- The X Games is an annual extreme sports event hosted, produced, and broadcast by ESPN (Entertainment and Sports Programming Network). The inaugural X Games were held during the 1995 summer in Newport, Rhode Island. Participants compete to win bronze, silver, and gold medals, as well as prize money.
- The competition often features new tricks in present-day extreme sports. Concurrent with competition is the "X Fest" sports and music festival, which offers live music, athlete autograph sessions, and interactive elements.
- The X Games gained media exposure due to their big name sponsors, top-tier athletes, and consistent fan attendance. According to ESPN (2008), in the Winter X Games inaugural year, 1997, 38,000 spectators attended the four-day event. In 1998, the attendance dropped to 25,000 spectators. But just two years later, a record attendance of 83,500 people attended the Winter X Games' East Coast debut. The X Games and Winter X Games continue to grow with the popularity of action sports and the athletes who compete in them.
- As part of the X Games, there have been performances by various rock bands over the years, as well as a DJ being on-site at all events. The X Games have made it a point since its founding to stage an eco-friendly event. Such measures include using biodiesel fuel in their vehicles and organizing recycling campaigns.
- The X Games has never carried out drug tests on competitors, which has been criticized by the World Anti-Doping Agency and the International Olympic Committee.

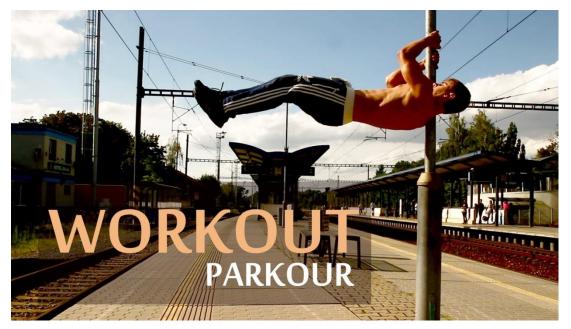
№2 Study the advertisement

You are considering joining a parqour club and now you are calling to find out more information. In 1.5 minutes you are to ask five direct questions to find out the following:

1). admission fee

- 2). trainers' qualifications
- 3). if a special sports suit is required
- 4). necessity of previous experience in any other sport
- 5). workout schedule

You have twenty seconds to ask each question



№3 Imagine that you took some photos when doing a project on extreme sports. Choose <u>the one</u> to show to your friend.

In your talk remember to speak about:

- when you took the photo
- what/who is in the photo
- what is happening
- why you kept the photo
- why you decided to show the picture to your friend





№4 be ready to compare and contrast the photographs:

- give a brief description of the photos (action, location)
- say what the pictures have in common
- say in what way the pictures are different
- say which of the occupations presented in the pictures you'd prefer
- explain why

