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Your friend has sent you a mini-biography of his favourite athlete. Read the mini-biography.

Text 3 Mini-biography



Ning Zetao

- ① Ning Zetao is a Chinese swimmer. He won a gold medal in the men's 100-metre freestyle event at the FINA World Championships in 2015. He completed the event in 47.84 seconds, making him the first Asian to win a medal at the championships.
- ② Ning began swimming at eight years old. His parents sent him to a swimming school to help him with his fear of water. As time went by, his coach saw that he was a great swimmer. When he was 11, Ning joined the swimming team in Henan province. He entered the Chinese Navy swimming team at the age of 14. He went through long hours of hard training every day.
- ③ Ning is now very popular and has many followers on his social networking site.

Simplified reading and comprehension

Unit 7

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Comprehension 3 *Your friend wants to know how well you know Ning Zetao's mini-biography. Answer his questions using information from the mini-biography. For multiple-choice questions, choose the best answer and blacken ONE circle only.*

1 What country is Ning Zetao from?

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| A Malaysia | C Japan | A B C D |
| B China | D South Korea | <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |

2 What medal did Ning Zetao win at the FINA World Championships in 2015?

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| A gold | C bronze | A B C D |
| B silver | D He did not win a medal. | <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |

3 How long did it take Ning Zetao to finish the 100-metre freestyle event?

4 How old was Ning Zetao when he started swimming?

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| A 5 | C 11 | A B C D |
| B 8 | D 14 | <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |

5 Use ONE word to complete each blank.

To help him with his _____ of water, Ning Zetao started to take _____ lessons when he was young.

6 Order the following events. Number the events (1–4). The first one has been done for you.

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| Ning Zetao became a member of the Chinese Navy swimming team. | _____ |
| Ning Zetao took part in the FINA World Championships in 2015. | _____ |
| Ning Zetao started to take swimming lessons. | <u>1</u> |
| Ning Zetao joined the swimming team in Henan province. | _____ |

7 What is the main theme of this text?

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| A Ning Zetao won gold at the FINA World Championships. | A B C D
<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |
| B Ning Zetao became successful because of his hard work. | |
| C People should take swimming lessons earlier. | |
| D People should go swimming more often. | |