

The 7 Steps - July



Wimbledon

1. CONTEXT

Mindmap anything you know about the topic, including vocabulary. Do some research online to help.

2. QUESTIONS

Read the listening questions to check your understanding. Look up any new vocabulary.

3. LISTEN

Listen and answer the questions using full sentences. Circle the number of times and % you understood.

Listening Questions 1

- How much did the Wimbledon winners receive in prize money in 2017?
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- Who won the men's title in 2016?
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- Going into 2017, how many titles had the Williams sisters won in total?
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- Who did Federer share a record with in 2017 and how many Wimbledon championships had they each won?
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- How many times did Martina Navratilova win Wimbledon in a row?
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Listening Questions 2

- How many of Steffi Graf's 22 Grand Slam titles came at Wimbledon?
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- What did Serena Williams achieve by winning the 2017 Australian Open?
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- What did Rafael Nadal win in June 2017 and many Grand Slams did that give him at the time?
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- Prior to Wimbledon 2017, who had won the most Grand Slam titles for men and how many did he have?
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- What is Hawk-Eye and which of the four Grand Slams first used it?
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Discussion Questions

- How do you feel about the 'bukatsu' culture in Japan and what are its benefits?
- How has technology influenced and changed various sports?

Listening 1				
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Listening 2				
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4. CHECK ANSWERS

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Read through the transcript and underline the answers. Check them against your own answers.

5. CHECK VOCABULARY

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Read the transcript and circle any new vocabulary you find. Look them up and add them to your list.

6. READ ALOUD

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Read the transcript aloud at least 5 times, focusing on intonation and pronunciation.

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1	2	3	4	5

7. SHADOWING

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Say the transcript aloud at the same time as the audio without reading it. Circle how many times below.

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TRANSCRIPT 1

The 2017 edition of Wimbledon started on Monday, July 3rd and ended on Sunday, July 16th. Wimbledon is one of tennis' four Grand Slams and the only one that's played on grass. The other three are the Australian, French, and US Opens. Wimbledon's very first tournament was held in 1877. Both the 2017 men's and women's winners received 2.2 million British pounds in prize money.

In 2016, Andy Murray won the men's title while Serena Williams won the women's. For Murray this was his second championship and for Serena it was her seventh. The victory put her two ahead of her older sister, Venus.

In what is known as the Open era, Switzerland's Roger Federer shared the record for most Wimbledon championships with America's Pete Sampras at 7 going into Wimbledon 2017. Federer won 5 titles **in a row** between 2003 and 2007. Sampras won his last Wimbledon title in 2000. As for the women, Martina Navratilova was alone at the top of the list with a total of 9 titles, six of which she won in a row starting in 1982.

One of the things Wimbledon is famous for is their rule regarding clothing. There are some **exceptions**, but basically a player's clothing and accessories must be white.

Ahead of	Revolutionized	Exception	Determine	In a row
Fill-in the blanks with the appropriate word above:				
1. The officials had to look at the replay several times to _____ whether the player had caught the ball.				
2. Jane finished _____ her brother in this year's race.				
3. Smartphones have _____ the way we do business.				
4. Last week I had the same thing for lunch 3 days _____.				
5. Everyone must submit their reports by 12:00pm. There will be no _____.				

TRANSCRIPT 2

Another former Wimbledon champion is Steffi Graf. Graf, who was born in what was then West Germany, won the tournament a total of 7 times, her first victory coming in 1988 and her last one in 1996. Over the course of her great career she won 22 Grand Slam singles titles. In January 2017, Serena Williams moved one Grand Slam singles title ahead of Graf to become the second most successful player of all time, when she won the Australian Open.

In June 2017, Rafael Nadal won his 10th French Open in Paris. Nadal has won all four Grand Slam tournaments including two at Wimbledon (2008 and 2010). His victory in Paris was his 15th Grand Slam singles title and put him second overall, **1 ahead of** Sampras and 3 behind Federer.

And finally, technology has **revolutionized** many sports, including tennis. One very interesting example is the technology that is used to **determine** whether a ball landed in or out when a player challenges a call. Wimbledon used the system called Hawk-Eye that was developed by Hawk-Eye Innovations. In 2006, the U.S. Open was the first Grand Slam tournament to use Hawk-Eye.