

Talking Sport

Week – 25
South Korean archers



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1) Phrases with 'believe'

In the video John said the phrase 'believe me', meaning that he is telling the truth:

"...believe me the amount of tension you need just to tension the bow."

Below are some phrases with the word 'believe':

make believe:	imaginary
I'll believe it when I see it:	used to say you don't think something will happen
believe it or not:	used before telling surprising or unusual information
couldn't believe your eyes:	to be very surprised by something

Now complete the sentences with the correct phrase. The form of the phrase may need to be changed.

1. The kids didn't understand that the monsters in the film were _____.
2. He _____ when he saw Sarah on TV.
3. He said he will book a holiday for us, but _____.
4. _____, the tallest building in the world is 828m!

2) Quite

In the video John used the word 'quite':

"...requires really quite a large amount of physical strength."

'Quite' means something is less than 'very' but more than 'a little'.

e.g. It is quite hot outside today.

'Quite' goes before a/an:

e.g. I own quite a large house.

'Quite' can also mean completely.

e.g. A: Does Tim live on this street?

B: Yes, I am quite sure.

'Quite' can also be used with 'not' – not quite – to mean not completely.

e.g. A: Have you finished your homework?

B: No, I haven't quite finished it yet. I'm nearly done.

Answers

1) Phrases with believe

1. The kids didn't understand that the monsters in the film were make believe.
2. He couldn't believe his eyes when he saw Sarah on TV.
3. He said he will book a holiday for us, but I will believe it when I see it.
4. Believe it or not, the tallest building in the world is 828m!

Script

Presenter

Hi I'm Natalie and welcome to Talking Sport.

Today we are hearing about the South Korean archery team and learning the word **demanding**.

In the bow and arrow sport, archery, South Korea is the country to beat in next year's Olympic Games.

South Korea came top of the medal table in archery in the last Olympics, in Beijing.

This week BBC reporter John Sudworth has been to the South Korean archery training centre.

Listen for how many hours a day the archers train for and listen for the word **demanding**.

Clip

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Presenter

Listen again for how many hours a day the archers train for and listen for the word **demanding**.

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John said the South Korean archers train for 6 hours a day.

"...these guys are here 6 days a week, **6 hours a day**."

John said this training is physically demanding.

Demanding means something needs a lot of effort, time or skill.

The training is very physically demanding.

Well, we have learnt about the adjective demanding.

Now let's listen to some people in London using this word.

Vox pops

I think my new job will be very demanding.

I find my football training very physically demanding.

My work is very demanding.

On screen

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Presenter

I'm Natalie and that's all from Talking Sport.

See you next time.