Level: B1





Audio transcript

Now turn to Part Three, Questions 14 – 19. You will hear part of a radio programme about climbing holidays in North Wales.

For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space.

You now have 20 seconds to look at part Three.

PAUSE 20 SECONDS

Now we are ready to start. Listen carefully. You will hear the recording twice.

Today, I want to tell you about the Climbing Centre in the heart of North Wales.

It's a good place to go, whether you're a beginner or more advanced. The Centre was started in 1952 by Peter Evans, the mountaineer, and the building, which used to be a hotel and is very comfortable, dates from 1869. The Climbing Centre shares the site with a management training college. This is open from March to November, but the Climbing Centre itself only runs courses from March until September, although accommodation for climbers is available in the winter months. The Climbing Centre has thirty twin-bedded rooms and ten single rooms providing accommodation for up to 70 people.

I tried a four-day course which I believe was good value at £280. The price includes all food and accommodation, equipment and instruction. However, you do need to take your own walking boots. Make sure they fit you properly and are comfortable.

We spent most of our time on the mountain side learning different things. On the first day we learnt how to plan a route on a map and went out to practise our skills. The next day we learnt how to predict the weather – by looking at the clouds while we were walking. On the third day, we set off for two days climbing. We had to sleep in a tent so we needed to carry all our food and camping equipment with us.

There aren't many things to do in the evenings at the Centre, apart from watching TV or playing table-tennis. There are cinemas and restaurants in the nearest town, but it's too far to go. People are usually too tired anyway after all the hard work and fresh air they've had during the day.

Now listen again.

REPEAT

That is the end of Part Three.