



# Video zone Is it possible to ride a motorbike on a lake?

Guy Martin is a professional motorbike racer. In this video, he tries to ride a motorbike on water. Can he ride fast enough to do it?

# Tasks

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises.

## **Preparation task**

Match the definitions (a–h) with the vocabulary (1–8).

#### Vocabulary

#### Definition

- 1. ..... shallow
- 2. ..... a puddle
- 3. ..... a record
- 4. ..... to hit (a place)
- 5. ..... hunky-dory (colloquial)
- 6. ..... a foot
- 7. ..... upside down
- 8. ..... to land

- a. to return to the ground after moving through the air
- b. a small pool of water (e.g. on a street after rain)
- c. with the top part under the bottom part
- d. a measurement of about 30 centimetres (in this context, the word can be singular or plural)
- e. not deep; with only a short distance to the bottom
- f. to arrive at a place
- g. a specific action which is better than previous ones
- h. very good and pleasant, with no problems

## Task 1

Circle the word or phrase that completes the sentence.

- 1. Guy ..... other bikers who ride their motorbikes across water.
  - a. admires b. doesn't admire
- 2. Guy wants to ...... a record for driving the longest distance across water.
  - a. break b. set
- 3. Guy felt very ..... before the bike started moving.
  - a. confident b. nervous
- 4. Guy thought that the rescue team was .......
  - a. necessary b. unnecessary





5. When the bike entered the water, it was travelling at ......

a. 60 miles an hour b. 100 miles an hour

- 6. When the bike crashed, Guy flew ...... foot into the air.
  - a. 10 b. 20
- 7. When he was in the air, Guy felt ......
  - a. worried b. excited
- 8. Guy says that the landing in the water was .....
  - a. painful b. not very painful

#### Task 2

Write the words in the gaps to complete the sentences.

h	t hunky-dory	landing	record	shallow	upside down
<ol> <li>All right, they are riding their motorbikes across water but it's only puddles.</li> </ol>					
	No one has actually gone for a, just for distance. So we thought, 'That's what we're going to do.'				
3. Jus <sup>.</sup> doir	at that moment, when I g?'		the water, I jus	t thought, 'Guy	, what are you

- 4. Up until that point, everything was .....
- 5. I was twenty foot away from the bike and ten foot in the air, .....
- 6. You try ..... in water at fifty miles an hour. You know about it, I'll tell you!

#### Discussion

How would you describe Guy's personality? Are motorbikes common where you live?



# Answers

## **Preparation task**

- 1. e
- 2. b
- 3. g
- 4. f
- 5. h
- 6. d
- 7. c
- 8. a

## Task 1

- 1. b
- 2. b
- 3. a
- 4. b
- 5. a
- 6. a
- 7. a
- 8. a

## Task 2

- 1. shallow
- 2. record
- 3. hit
- 4. hunky-dory
- 5. upside-down
- 6. landing

