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### A novice champion? 一颗新星?

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

All British fans of Formula One racing will look to Shanghai next weekend to see if British driver Lewis Hamilton can **live up to** the hopes that he can win the World Championship as a **novice driver**, in his first season of Grand Prix.

After winning the Japanese Grand Prix he is now 12 points ahead of McLaren team-mate Fernando Alonso, with 20 points left to be won in the Championship. The 22 year old has been praised by his current **opponents**, and by Formula one legend Damon Hill.

Renault driver Heikki Kovalainen, who finished second behind Hamilton in the Japanese Grand Prix told BBC Sport: "Lewis has had a really good season, **consistently** winning races, always up there fighting, no mistakes. I think he deserves the championship"

Damon Hill said "I don't think anyone predicted this, everyone knew he was good but he has really **stunned** everyone."

As a **rookie**, Hamilton was expected to spend this season learning from Alonso, but in fact has **ploughed ahead** of him. Alonso himself admitted he needed a **miracle** now to take the Championship title from Hamilton.

But Hamilton himself said he would not be celebrating until the title was **in the bag**. Although he is confident, he is **not taking anything for granted**. "We still have two races left, and anything can happen, so we need to **knuckle down**. I won't be going partying."

While the competition **on the track** continues, there has also been some **conflict off the track**, between Hamilton and Alonso, and between Alonso and McLaren boss Ron Dennis. As a double world champion, Alonso feels he deserves additionally support from his team, but McLaren insist they will treat the **seasoned pro** and their **protégé** equally.

If Hamilton wins the championship, either in China or Brazil two weeks later, he will become the first man ever to win the title in his first season in the sport.

## Glossary 词汇表

live up to 不辜负..期望	a novice 新人;新手
season 赛季	team-mate 队友
opponents 对手	consistently 一致的;始终如一的
stunned 使震惊;目瞪口呆	a rookie (职业)新选手
ploughed ahead 奋力领先	a miracle 奇迹
in the bag (奖杯)到手	not taking anything for granted 不把...视为理所当然
to knuckle down 把...干完	on the track 车道
conflict 冲突	seasoned pro 职业老手
protégé (初出茅庐的)门徒	

### 1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

以下句子哪句是真?哪句是假? 请圈出正确答案。

1. Lewis Hamilton is an experienced Formula One driver. True / False
2. It is impossible for Hamilton to lose the Championship now. True / False
3. Nobody expected Hamilton to do so well this season. True / False
4. Hamilton and Alonso are good friends. True / False
5. The next race in the Championship is in China. True / False

## 2. Sportspeople 体育运动者

Look at these sports – do you know what a person who does it is called?

看看下列这些体育运动的名称, 你知道怎么称呼参与这些运动的人吗?

### 1. Formula One racing

- a) race player                      b) racer                              c) racing driver

### 2. Cricket

- a) cricketer                          b) cricket hitter                      c) cricketist

### 3. Football

- a) footballist                        b) football kicker                      c) footballer

### 4. Horse riding

- a) horser                              b) horse rider                        c) horse ridist

### 5. Athletics

- a) athlete                              b) athleteer                        c) athleteist

### 3. Sports locations 运动场地

Where do these sports take place? Match the correct location with each sport.

下面这些运动在何处举行？把下列运动和其对应的场地连线。

pitch

court

track

cricket	
badminton	
Formula One race	
athletics	
football	
basketball	

#### 4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with Lewis Hamilton in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (g), vertically (i) or diagonally (m)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与刘易斯·汉密尔顿有关的英语单词来。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的 (g) 垂直的 (i) 或对角的 (m) 形式出现。

c	o	n	f	l	i	c	t	i	t	s	
p	h	r	d	e	w	h	r	a	q	e	r
t	r	a	c	r	f	a	a	d	s	a	a
i	j	h	m	g	i	m	c	a	r	s	c
t	e	a	k	p	l	p	k	m	n	c	i
l	b	n	o	v	i	c	e	s	v	x	n
e	a	o	z	d	e	o	a	e	r	t	g
m	b	v	s	t	d	g	n	a	j	y	u
d	r	i	v	e	r	t	c	s	r	p	i
p	s	d	i	a	a	r	t	o	h	p	k
t	e	c	k	m	n	g	h	n	d	i	v
b	v	x	a	m	c	o	n	r	j	l	p

racing	driver	team	track	championship
title	novice	season	conflict	car

# Answers 答案

## 1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

- Lewis Hamilton is an experienced Formula One driver. **False**
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- Hamilton and Alonso are good friends. **False**
- The next race in the Championship is in China. **True**

## 2. Sportspeople 体育运动者

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|-----------------------|------------------|
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| 2. Cricket            | a) cricketer     |
| 3. Football           | c) footballer    |
| 4. Horse riding       | b) horse rider   |
| 5. Athletics          | a) athlete       |

## 3. Sports locations 运动场地

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basketball	court

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c	o	n	f	l	i	c	t				
	h					r					r
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i			m			c	a	r			c
t				p		k					i
l		n	o	v	i	c	e	s			n
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d	r	i	v	e	r			s			
				a				o	h		
				m				n		i	
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