

# The Bicycle Story

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## 1. Preberi besedilo in kratko odgovori na vprašanja. Uporabi od ENE do največ ŠTIRI besede.

1. What happened if the first bike hit a stone? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How much did the first bikes cost? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did the bike in the 1890s mean to women? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What are mountain bikes made of? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Why is it dangerous to be a messenger in a large city? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What is the result of ecological tourism? \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Dopolni besedilo z besedami v okvirčku. Tri besede so odveč.

A fast	B front	<del>C appeared</del>	D speed	
E investment	F peddals	G comfortable	H emancipation	I pay

The first bikes (0) appeared in the 19th century. The (1) \_\_\_\_\_ were attached directly to the (2) \_\_\_\_\_ wheel which was very large. The larger the wheel, the farther you could travel with one rotation of the pedals. These bikes cost an average worker six month's (3) \_\_\_\_\_.

The next design was a return to the original configuration of two same-size wheels. It was a practical (4) \_\_\_\_\_ for the working man as transportation, and gave him a much greater flexibility for leisure. Ladies now could still keep their legs covered with long skirts, but increased their mobility considerably. In 1896 Susan B. Anthony said that "the bicycle has done more for the (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of women than anything else in the world."

## 3. Preberi vprašanja in jih poveži z ustreznim odgovorom. Dve vprašanji nimata odgovora. Označi ju z znakom X.

## ANSWERS

- A) A passport or ID card.
- B) Loose trousers for women in the 19th century.
- C) Because they are more environmentally friendly.
- D) No, the rider could fall off, onto his head, because the bikes were uncomfortable.
- E) Because of the traffic jams in some cities.
- F) A bike with the equal-sized wheels.

## QUESTIONS

- 0 Were the first bikes safe to drive?   D
- 1 Why are messenger bikes more and more popular?
- 2 How fast are mountain bikes?
- 3 Why have bikes become more popular than cars?
- 4 What is the »safety bicycle«?
- 5 What do you need if you want to borrow a bike in the French city of La Rochelle?
- 6 How dangerous is it to wave in and out of the traffic?
- 7 What are »bloomers«?

### 4. Napiši kratko besedilo o kolesarjenju.

- Napiši, kako priljubljena oblika rekreacije je kolesarjenje pri nas.
- Pojasni pomen tega športa za zdravje.
- Navedi prednosti in pomanjkljivosti tega športa.
- Opiši svoj odnos do tega športa.

Besedilo naj bo dolgo od 80 do 100 besed. Ovrednoteni bodo vsebina, besedišče, slovnica in zgradba besedila.