



Reading & Writing

1  Read the article and answer the questions.

- a) Who started the race? b) Who left the race? c) Who finished the race?



Alone at sea

Debra and Andrew Veal entered a 3,000-mile rowing race across the Atlantic from Tenerife to Barbados. There were thirty-four other rowing teams. They started the race together, but after two weeks Andrew left the race because he was frightened of the ocean.

Debra didn't want to stop the race, and she decided to continue. She rowed the remaining 2,290 miles alone. The journey took 113 days. Debra arrived in Barbados seventy days after the winning team, but for most people she was the hero of the race. The editor of *The Times* wrote, 'The winner of the race is the girl who came last.'



