

### Discussion box

Think of two other sports that could be combined to create a new sport, and explain how it would work.

## 2 Grammar

### \* Relative clauses: review

**a** Use the text in Exercise 1 to complete these sentences.

- 1 He is a tall, strong German policeman, who calls himself 'Anti-Terror Frank'.
- 2 They sit down at a table which has a chessboard on it.
- 3 Frank spent hours doing exercises which prepare his mind as well as his muscles.
- 4 Winners in chessboxing are people whose mental strength equals their physical strength.
- 5 The sport has taken off in Germany, where they are preparing the next generation of champions.

**b** Complete the rule.

**RULE:** We use ..... to refer to people.  
We use ..... or ..... to refer to things.  
We use ..... to refer to places.  
We use ..... to refer to possession.

**c** Mark the sentences *D* or *A*.

*D* = the underlined part gives defining, important information about the person or thing(s).

*A* = the underlined part gives additional information about the person or thing(s).

- 1 One of the best fighters is David Depto, who comes from San Francisco. *A*
- 2 There are more and more people who are interested in watching chessboxing. *D*
- 3 There are schools in Germany that prepare kids to become chessboxers. *D*
- 4 Chessboxing, which is a mixture of chess and boxing, is growing in popularity. *D*
- 5 Frank Stoldt, whose nickname is 'Anti-Terror Frank', comes from Germany. *A*

## 3 Grammar

### \* Relative clauses with *which*

**a** Look at the examples. What does *which* refer to in these two sentences?

- 1 Everybody thinks that boxers aren't very clever, which isn't necessarily true.
- 2 He won the world championship, which proves that he's a great fighter.

**b** Complete the rule. Write *which* and *that*.

**RULE:** The pronoun which normally refers to a noun, but it can sometimes refer to the **whole** of a previous clause.

*What*, ..... and *who* cannot be used in this way.

*Frank won the match, which made his fans very happy.*

*NOT Frank won the match, what made his fans very happy.*

**c** Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use *which*.

- 1 People sometimes get badly hurt in boxing. That makes it a controversial sport.  
People sometimes get badly hurt in boxing, which makes it a controversial sport.
- 2 You need to be mentally and physically tough. This is why you need to prepare well.  
You need to be ..... to prepare well.
- 3 It is terrible that some people have been killed in boxing matches.  
Some people ..... terrible.
- 4 Chess is quite a complicated game. This means players have to concentrate a lot.  
Chess ..... concentrate a lot.
- 5 It is quite strange that two men sit in a boxing ring and play chess.  
Two men sit ..... quite strange.
- 6 The fact that chessboxing is becoming more popular means that we might start to see it on TV soon.  
Chessboxing is becoming ..... to see it on TV soon.