

## Emily's rival



The next morning, Emily's alarm clock rang at six o'clock. She jumped out of bed and quickly put her swimming things into her bag. She went downstairs quietly. She took a banana from the kitchen for breakfast.

'Where are you going?' Emily was walking out of the door when she heard her father's voice.

'The pool,' she answered.

'What, so early?'

'I'll tell you about it later, Dad,' said Emily. She ran out of the house.

At the pool, she watched the other swimmers for a few minutes. She noticed a woman in a blue swimsuit. The woman was swimming very fast.

'Is that Tina Dawson?' she asked Jack.

'Yes, it is.'

Emily looked at Dawson, moving through the water. 'She's good, very good!' she said.

'Yes, she wants to win the Picton Lake Race for the fifth time,' Jack replied. 'But don't think about her. Come on, get in the water! Swim!'

Emily's training session finished at 8.30. Then she got on the bus to go to school. 'Only three more weeks before the summer holiday,' she thought. On the bus, the man next to her was reading 'The Picton News'. She read the headline.

'Businessman offers £50,000 to winner of Picton Lake Race.'

'Wow!' thought Emily. '£50,000 is a lot of money!' But how was she going to beat someone like Tina Dawson?

### Questions

- 1 Why did Emily get up early?
- 2 Why is Tina Dawson training at the pool?
- 3 What will the winner of the race get?