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### F1 Dispute Settled F1 纠纷得以解决

It has been a **turbulent** year for Formula One with leading teams such as Honda **withdrawing** due to financial difficulties.

It has also been **touch and go** over the past few months as to whether the Formula One World Championship would continue **as we know it**.

The Formula One Team Owners Association (FOTA), consisting of teams such as Ferrari, McLaren, Red Bull, Toro Rosso, Toyota, Renault, Brawn and BMW Sauber, had been **campaigning** for changes to the way Formula One is run.

However, FOTA's threats to **boycott** the 2010 racing season and to form their own **breakaway** series are now **a thing of the past**.

After months of **strained negotiations** with Formula One's **governing body**, the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA), an agreement has been reached.

All of FOTA's members will now participate in the 2010 Formula One World Championship.

Max Mosely, the president of the FIA **outlined** the new agreement in which they have agreed to **drop plans** to limit teams' spending.

They intend to get spending levels back to that of the early 1990s. He also announced that he will **step aside** as president of the FIA in October.

FOTA chairman, Luca di Montezemolo said that the FOTA teams had "asked for things which were **fair** and **realistic**" and welcomed the **breakthrough**.

Formula One **supremo** Bernie Ecclestone also showed relief that an agreement had been reached and said that he was "very happy **common sense** had **prevailed**".

## Glossary 词汇表

<b>turbulent</b> - 动荡的, 混乱的	<b>withdrawing</b> - 退出
<b>touch and go</b> - 情况不稳定	<b>as we know it</b> - 像我们知道的
<b>campaigning</b> - 提倡	<b>boycott</b> - 联合抵制, 拒绝参加
<b>breakaway</b> - 分离出来	<b>thing of the past</b> - 已经过去了的事情
<b>strained</b> - 紧张的	<b>negotiations</b> - 谈判
<b>governing body</b> - 管理团体	<b>outlined</b> - 大概, 简要概括
<b>drop plans</b> - 放弃计划	<b>step aside</b> - 退位
<b>fair</b> - 公平	<b>realistic</b> - 现实的
<b>breakthrough</b> - 突破	<b>supremo</b> - 最高级人物
<b>common sense</b> - 常识	<b>prevailed</b> - 获胜了

### 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. Honda withdrew from Formula One due to financial difficulties. **True / False**
2. Some of the leading Formula One teams had threatened to withdraw from the 2010 racing season. **True / False**
3. The Formula One Team Owners Association (FOTA) campaigned for changes to the way Formula One is run. **True / False**
4. As part of the new agreement, the FIA will be pursuing their plans to limit teams' spending. **True / False**
5. Max Mosely is the president of FOTA. **True / False**

## 2 Label the pictures 标注图片

Look at the pictures below. Do you know what these items are? Write the name of the object underneath the picture.

请看下列图片。你知道这些是什么物品吗？请将物品名称写在图片下面。

gearstick	rear-view mirror	tyre
seatbelt	fuel tank	speedometer
steering wheel	keys	



1. \_\_\_\_\_



2. \_\_\_\_\_



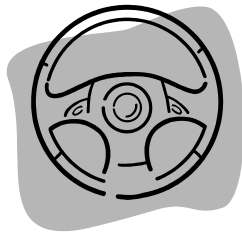
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4. \_\_\_\_\_



5. \_\_\_\_\_



6. \_\_\_\_\_



7. \_\_\_\_\_



8. \_\_\_\_\_

### **3. Error Correction 改错**

**Each of these sentences has a mistake in it. Find the mistake and rewrite the sentence correctly.**

下列句子中各有一个错误。找出错误并写出正确的句子。

1. It is been a turbulent year for Formula One.

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2. It has be touch and go over the past few months.

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3. The teams was campaigning for changes to the way Formula One is run.

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4. FOTA has been campaign for changes to the way Formula One is run.

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5. The FIA be dropping plans to limit teams' spending.

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#### 4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with this week's topic in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请找出和本周题目相关的英语单词。

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

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p	c	a	b	o	y	c	o	t	t	e	u
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teams  
championship  
negotiation  
common sense

racing  
series  
boycott

formula one  
agreement  
spending

## Answers 答案

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3. The Formula One Team Owners Association (FOTA) campaigned for changes to the way Formula One is run. **True**
4. As part of the new agreement, the FIA will be pursuing their plans to limit teams' spending. **False**
5. Max Mosely is the president of FOTA. **False**

### 2 Label the pictures 标注图片

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3. keys
4. speedometer
5. seatbelt
6. steering wheel
7. rear-view mirror
8. tyre

### 3. Error Correction 改错

#### Suggested corrections:

1. It has been a turbulent year for Formula One.
2. It has been touch and go over the past few months.
3. The teams were campaigning for changes to the way Formula One is run.
4. FOTA has been campaigning for changes to the way Formula One is run.
5. The FIA will be dropping plans to limit team's spending.

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