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The Summer Olympic Games are the biggest multisport event in the world. More than 10,000 athletes from over 200 countries compete in more than 30 different sports! The Paralympic Games take place soon after the Olympic Games, and they're the biggest international event for athletes with disabilities. The Olympics and Paralympics usually take place every four years.

How did the Olympic Games start?

The Olympics started in a place called Olympia in 776 BCE and took place every four years in Ancient Greece, until about 393 CE. Women were not allowed to compete, and married women couldn't even watch the Games! Most of the men who took part were soldiers. They had running, jumping and throwing competitions, and also did boxing and chariot racing. The athletes wore no clothes at all when they were competing!

When did the Modern Olympic Games start?

The Modern Olympics started in Athens in 1896 and grew quickly. By 1924, in Paris, there were around 3,000 athletes, including more than 100 women, from more than 44 different countries. This was also the year that the first Winter Olympics were held. The Paralympic Games first took place in Rome, Italy, in 1960.

What do the athletes win?

The athletes who come first, second and third in a competition win medals. First place gets a gold medal, second place a silver medal, and third place a bronze medal. Athletes also win points for their country. The country with the most points at the end of the Games is the winner.

What are the Olympic Rings?

The Olympic Rings are the symbol of the games. The five linked rings are, from left to right, blue, yellow, black, green and red, and they are on a white background. They represent the five continents and the meeting of athletes from around the world.

What is the Olympic torch relay?

The flame is lit in Olympia several months before the Olympic Games. Lots of different people carry the torch and then pass it to the next person. They carry it around different places in Greece, and then they finally take it to the country that is hosting the event that year.

Where are the 2024 Olympic Games?

The 2024 Summer Olympics and Paralympics are taking place in France, mainly in Paris. There will be 32 sports altogether – 28 main sports, plus four newer sports: skateboarding, sport climbing, surfing and breaking (breakdance). The Summer Paralympics have 22 different sports. Around 15 million people will come to Paris for the Olympic Games, and billions more people will watch the event on television. Are you going to watch the 2024 Olympic Games?

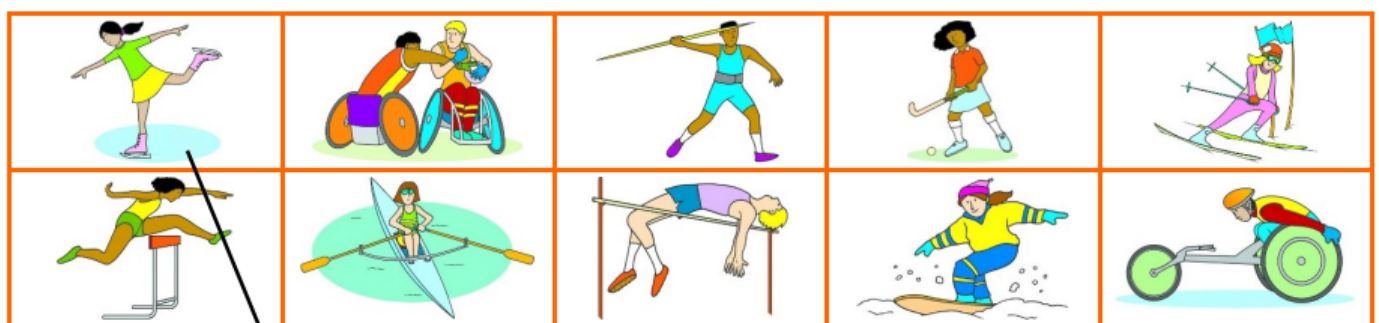
Après avoir lu le texte, fais l'exercice ci-dessous.

1. The Summer Olympic Games are the world's biggest event where there are lots of different sports. ☐ True ☐ False
2. The Paralympic Games happen a few weeks before the Olympic Games. ☐ True ☐ False
3. Women weren't allowed to take part in the Ancient Olympic Games. ☐ True ☐ False
4. In the Ancient Olympic Games, they did skateboarding, surfing and breakdancing. ☐ True ☐ False
5. More than 100 women took part in the Paris Olympics in 1924. ☐ True ☐ False
6. You win a bronze medal if you come first in a competition. ☐ True ☐ False
7. The Olympic flame starts in Olympia, in Greece. ☐ True ☐ False
8. Just one special runner carries the torch all around Greece and then around the host country. ☐ True ☐ False

Olympic and Paralympic Games

1. Match them up!

Draw a line to match the picture and the word.



high jump	skating	snowboarding	wheelchair racing	hockey
rowing	hurdles	wheelchair rugby	skiing	javelin



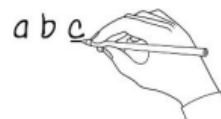
2. Where does it go?

Write the sports in the correct group.

high jump	skating	snowboarding	wheelchair racing	hockey
rowing	hurdles	wheelchair rugby	skiing	javelin

athletics	team sports	winter sports
high jump		

Pour cet exercice, tu auras besoin de retourner au texte du début et de relire les textes des deux semaines précédentes...



3. Make it right!

Find the mistake, underline it and write the correct word.

a. The five Olympic rings represent five sports.

continents

b. The Olympic Games started in America.

c. The first official Paralympic Games were held in Rome in 1860.

d. The Olympic Games are every five years.

e. In a hurdle race you have to jump over 20 hurdles.

f. The Olympic motto is 'Swifter, Higher, Weaker'.

g. There are four people in a wheelchair tennis team.

h. Snowboarding is one of the oldest winter Olympic sports.

i. You can win gold, silver and platinum medals.

j. There are twenty-seven Paralympic medals.

4. Write and draw!

Would you like to take part in the Olympic or Paralympic Games? What sport would you like to do? Draw a picture and write about it!



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Vocabulary

Pour cette séquence, voici le vocabulaire à apprendre :

- A sportsman / a sportswoman
- A team (une équipe)
- Games (jeux)
- The goal / the goalkeeper (gardien / gardien de but)
- The coach / the players (l'entraîneur / les joueurs)
- The referee (l'arbitre)
- A race (une course)
- A bow (un arc)
- The target (la cible)
- A paddle (une pagaie)
- The start (le début)
- The ground / the field (le terrain)
- Outdoor / indoor games (jeux extérieurs / intérieurs)
- A victory / a success (une victoire, un succès)
- A failure (un échec)
- The track (la piste)
- An arrow (une flèche)
- A sword (une épée)
- A skating rink (une patinoire)
- The finish line = la ligne d'arrivée
- The pride : la fierté
- To play fair (jouer franc jeu)
- To score (marquer un but)
- To win (gagner)
- To lose (perdre)
- To defeat someone (vaincre quelqu'un)
- To succeed (réussir)
- To fail (échouer)
- To train / to practise (s'entraîner / pratiquer)
- To keep fit (rester en forme)
- To be out of breath (être à bout de souffle)
- To break a record (battre un record)
- To admire (admirer)
- To unify (unir / unifier)
- To gather / to be together (rassembler / être ensemble)