

"30 minutes of English"

Lesson 6.

Topic: "Sports and fitness"

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Task 18a. Complete the text with the regular verbs in the Past Simple.

propose introduce stop ban found design start decide x 2

The Olympic Games is the greatest international sport event in the world. The original Olympic Games **started** (1) in ancient Greece in 776 B.C. The Games were very important for ancient world. During this period all wars _____ (2). The Olympic Games took place from the 8th century BC till the 4th century AD. In 394 AD the Roman Emperor Theodosius _____ (3) the Olympic Games because



he _____ (4) that these competitions were pagan festival.

In the late 19th century, Baron Pierre de Coubertin _____ (5) to revive the Olympic Games. He _____ (6) the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in 1894, and two years later, in 1896 the modern summer Olympic Games were established in Athens.

In 1912 Baron Pierre de Coubertin _____ (7) the symbol of the Olympic Games consisting of five interlocking rings – blue, yellow, black, green and red – on a white field. The rings represented five continents: America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. Pierre de Coubertin also _____ (8) the motto "Faster, Higher, Stronger" and it was introduced in 1924 at the Olympic Games in Paris. He also _____ (9) a more informal but well known motto: "The most important thing is not to win but to take part!"



The Games are currently held every two years, with Summer and Winter Olympic Games, meaning that they each occur every four years. The last Summer Olympic Games were held in London, 2012. Ukraine won 20 medals (6 gold, 5 silver and 9 bronze medals) in sailing, athletics, fencing, rowing, shooting, wrestling, weight lifting, boxing, canoe sport and gymnastics.

Next Winter Olympic Games will be held in Sochi, Russia, in 2014.

Task 18b. Put four questions to the text in the Past Simple using the verbs in brackets.

Example: When *did* the original Olympic Games *start*? (start)

1. Why _____? (ban)
2. What _____? (found)
3. When _____? (design)
4. What _____? (propose)



L Task 19. Listen to the people speaking about their best sports moments. Choose the answer.

1. **Airman, Syria**

What happened to Airman in the race?

- a) he crashed
- b) he had a puncture

2. **Antoine, France**

Antoine says that he ...

- a) watched a football game
- b) played a football game

3. **Emily, Djibouti**

Why was Emily so happy?

- a) Because France won the World Cup
- b) Because she was in France

4. **Jeff, Canada**

Jeff says that he ...

- a) played rugby game only once
- b) played rugby all his life