

Sports & the Olympic Games

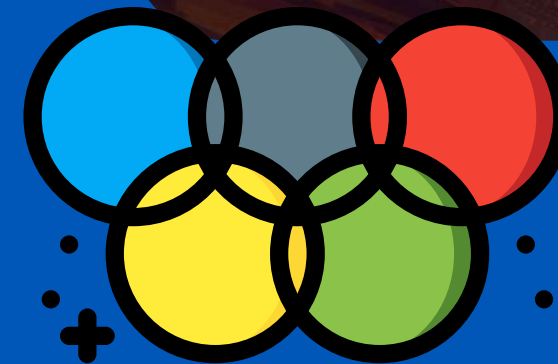
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General Sports Questions

What sports do you enjoy watching the most?
Which sport do you find the most exciting to play?
Do you think children should be encouraged to play sports from a young age?
What qualities make someone a good sportsperson?
How important is teamwork in sport?
Which sports are most popular in your country?
What sport would you like to try but haven't yet?
Do you prefer indoor or outdoor sports? Why?
What sport do you think is the most challenging physically?
What sport do you think is the most challenging mentally?



Do you think sportspeople are good role models?
How often do you watch live sports?
What's the biggest sporting event you've ever watched?
Do you think professional athletes are paid too much?
What are the benefits of playing team sports?
What are the benefits of playing individual sports?
How does sport help people stay healthy?
Do you think schools should invest more in sports facilities?
Should sports be compulsory in school?
Have you ever competed in a sports event?





Sports Training & Performance

What qualities does a successful athlete need?

How important is discipline in sports training?

What role does diet play in athletic performance?

Do you think athletes should train every day?

How does technology help athletes improve?

What do you think about psychological coaching for athletes?

What is the most impressive athletic achievement you've seen?

How complicated is it to recover from a sports injury?

Should young athletes specialise in one sport or play many?

What motivates athletes to keep improving?



Olympic Games – General

What comes to mind when you think of the Olympic Games?

Why do you think the Olympics are so important internationally?

Do you normally watch the Olympic Games?

Which Olympic sports interest you the most?

Which Olympic sports do you find less interesting?

Do the Olympics inspire people to take up sport?

How does hosting the Olympics affect a country's reputation?

What is your favourite Olympic memory?

If you could attend any Olympic event, which one would it be?

How fair do you think Olympic judging is?

Olympic Sports

Which Olympic sport do you think requires the most skill?

Which event in athletics do you find the most exciting?

Should new sports be added to the Olympics?

Should any sports be removed from the Olympics?

Which Olympic sport would you like to try?

Do you prefer watching the Summer or Winter Olympics?

Which Winter Olympic sport do you find the most thrilling?

Why do you think some sports become Olympic events while others don't?

Should eSports be included in the Olympics?

How do you feel about mixed-gender events in the Olympics?



Olympic Athletes

What makes an athlete “world-class”?
Do Olympic athletes receive enough support from their countries?
Should amateur athletes be allowed to compete in the Olympics?
How do you feel about athletes who switch nationalities to compete?
What pressures do Olympic athletes face?
Do Olympic athletes become heroes in your country?
Should athletes be allowed to compete at any age?
How do athletes stay motivated after losing?
What do you think about athletes who retire young?
Should Olympic athletes be paid by the organisers?





Controversial Topics

Do you think the Olympics are becoming too commercialised?

Should political protests be allowed at the Olympics?

Should countries with serious human-rights issues host the Games?

Are the Olympics too expensive for most cities to host?

Should doping result in a lifetime ban?

Is it fair to ban an entire country because of doping scandals?

Should technology like performance-enhancing shoes be restricted?

What do you think about transgender athletes competing?

Do the Olympics encourage unhealthy levels of competition?

Should athletes who break world records receive financial rewards?



Hosting the Olympics

What makes a good host city for the Olympics?

What are the economic benefits of hosting the Olympics?

What are the negative effects of hosting the Games?

Should the Olympics have a permanent host city?

How important is infrastructure when hosting major events?

Should smaller countries be given the chance to host the Olympics?

How can host cities reduce the environmental impact of the Games?

Do you think tourism increases because of the Olympics?

Should local residents have a say in hosting the Olympics?

Should old Olympic venues be reused for future Games?

Sports Culture & Society

Why is sport important in society?
Do major sporting events bring countries together?
How does sport influence national identity?
Why do you think people become so passionate about sports?
How does the media shape our view of athletes?
Should violent sports be banned?
Do you think sports funding is fair in your country?
Should more attention be given to women's sports?
How can sport promote equality?
Do large sporting events help reduce cultural barriers?



Personal Opinion & Future of Sport

What sport do you think will become more popular in the future?

What sport might disappear in the next few decades?

How will technology change sport in the next 20 years?

Should virtual reality be part of future sports?

What do you think about artificial intelligence being used in refereeing?

Will the Olympics still be as important in 50 years?

Should extreme sports be part of the Olympics?

What role will social media play in the future of sport?

How can the Olympics stay relevant for younger generations?

If you could change one thing about the Olympics, what would it be?

