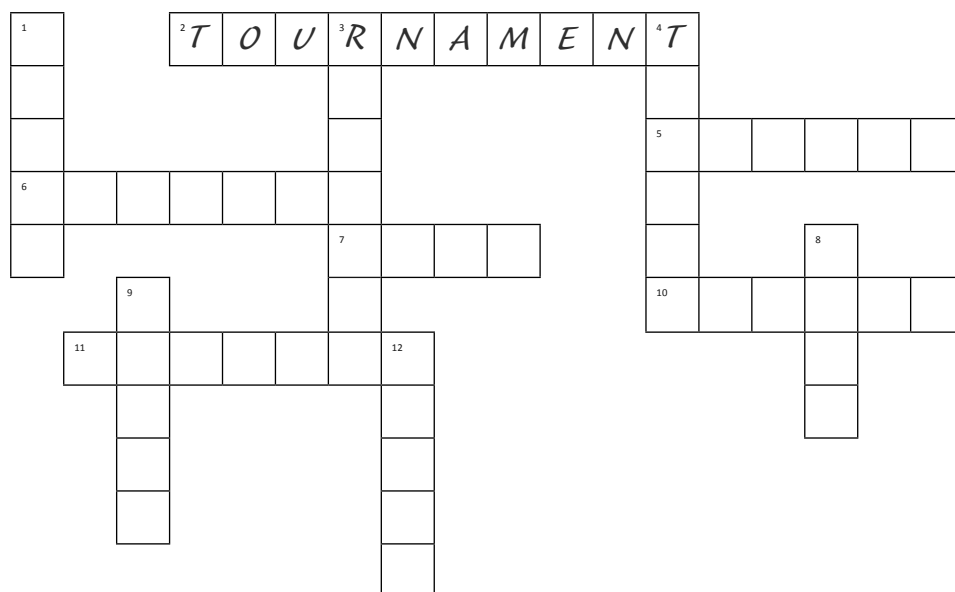


Vocabulary

Sport

1 First read the crossword clues (1–12) and then complete the crossword with words related to sports.



Down

- 1** a flat area of ground for playing particular sports on, especially football
- 3** someone whose job is to make sure that players in a game obey the rules in some sports, for example, football
- 4** a piece of clothing worn by men for swimming
- 8** a long stick that you use for hitting the ball in golf
- 9** an area marked with lines where some sports are played, such as tennis and squash
- 12** part of a hill or mountain that you ski on

Across

- 2** a series of games in which the winner of each game plays in the next game, until there is one player or team left
- 5** someone whose job is to make sure that players obey the rules in some sports – for example, tennis, baseball and cricket
- 6** a piece of clothing worn for swimming, especially by women
- 7** a large flat area of ice inside a building, where people can go to ice-skate
- 10** a race, especially on skis, in which people move around a series of poles, turning first one way and then the other
- 11** special glasses that protect your eyes, for example, when you are swimming

2 Complete the gaps with an appropriate word.

- 1 This year's charity walk saw a huge turnout. 1,200 people took part and raised just over £14,000 for local concerns.
- 2 The next competition will _____ place in New York in 2018.
- 3 It's estimated that more than 18 million _____ watched live coverage of the 2014 World Cup final.
- 4 The umpire at Wimbledon often has to ask the _____ to be quiet to allow the players to concentrate.
- 5 Most athletes who _____ in athletics competitions want to win gold; none of them really want to come second.
- 6 People _____ up sports for a variety of reasons; some for fun, some to get fit and some to lose weight.
- 7 In last night's Premier League matches, Arsenal _____ Manchester United 2–0, West Ham _____ with Tottenham 1–1 and Chelsea managed to _____ a last minute penalty and won the match against Liverpool 3–2.
- 8 10 million tickets will go on sale to the general _____ for the tournament.

Word formation

Adjectives

- 3 Use the suffixes below to create adjectives from the words in 1–8. The same suffix is required for all three words in each group. The final word in each group also requires a spelling change. The first one has been done for you.

-able	-al	-ent	-ful	-ing	-ive	-ous	-y
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1	attract	impress	decide	5	care	harm	beauty
	<u>attractive</u>	<u>impressive</u>	<u>decisive</u>		_____	_____	_____
2	poison	danger	humour	6	reason	comfort	rely
	_____	_____	_____		_____	_____	_____
3	profession	emotion	nature	7	frighten	worry	surprise
	_____	_____	_____		_____	_____	_____
4	wealth	cloud	sun	8	depend	insist	appear
	_____	_____	_____		_____	_____	_____

- 4 Copy the adjectives from exercise 3 into your notebook and add two more words to each group of three. Share your ideas with the rest of the class.

Language focus

Comparisons

- 1 Complete the sentences with a comparative or superlative form of a word in the box.

dangerous	far	high x 2	hot	long	safe	slow x 2
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- John Isner defeated Nicolas Mahut in the longest professional tennis match in their first-round encounter at Wimbledon 2010.
- The _____ distance rowed in 24 hours upstream and downstream is 263 km by Matthias Auer, Christian Klandt and Olaf Behrend at DRUM Rowing Club, Berlin, Germany in 2003.
- One of the _____ paid sportsmen is Cristiano Ronaldo who earns around 79 million dollars a year. His salary is _____ than Lionel Messi's, who reportedly earns around 73 million dollars annually.
- In 1905, American football was one of the _____ games in the world; 18 men died from injuries sustained on the football field. President Theodore Roosevelt stepped in and instituted safety measures to make the game _____.
- Alice Springs Golf course in Australia is known as the _____ golf club on earth.
- Jackie Cobell, 56, took 28 hours and 44 minutes to complete the swim from Dover to Calais and in doing so broke the record for the _____ swimmer in the world. She said that she hadn't been swimming _____ than usual, but that currents had taken her off course.

- 2** Make full sentences from the words by using the correct comparative forms. Add any other words which may be necessary.

1 watching a football match with friends / far / enjoyable / watching a football match alone
Watching a football match with friends is far more enjoyable than watching a football match alone.

2 doing yoga / just / relaxing / doing pilates

3 going to the gym / slightly / good / for you / walking

4 skiing / not / difficult / snowboarding

5 football / easily / popular / cricket

6 Olympic Games / much / old / World Cup

7 watching cricket / far / less / interesting / watching golf

- 3** Do you agree with the sentences in exercise 2 above? Write your own sentences comparing different sports.

1 _____
 2 _____
 3 _____
 4 _____
 5 _____

- 4** In some of the following sentences, one word is missing or incorrect. Add the missing word or correct the incorrect word.

1 Let's see who can score highest in the test; first prize is no homework for a week.
Let's see who can score the highest in the test; first prize is no homework for a week.

2 This is easily the worse they've ever played – I blame the coach.

3 When I started to learn golf, I bought least expensive set of clubs I could find.

4 The hard you train for a marathon, the more likely you are to be able to finish.

5 The more competitive you are, the best you're likely to be at a sport.

6 Andy Murray isn't a good a player as Novak Djokovic, but he's still one of the best in the world.

7 There weren't as many fans at the match as I had expected so the atmosphere wasn't as well.

8 I've never seen so an amazing stadium; it was huge – I bet it cost billions of dollars to build.

Transformations

- 5 For questions 1–9, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. Here is an example.

0 Claire is far more reliable than Julie.

NEARLY

Julie isn't nearly as reliable as Claire.

1 My sister's bedroom is as big as mine.

SAME

My bedroom is _____ my sister's.

2 Ben hasn't spoken to his brother for a month.

LAST

It's been a month _____ his brother.

3 Is there anyone who can't see the board?

UNABLE

Is anyone _____ the board?

4 I wish I could play the piano.

BE

I'd love _____ play the piano.

5 This is Amanda's first visit to the museum.

NEVER

Amanda _____ museum before.

6 Richard didn't use to be so thin.

THAN

Richard is _____ be.

7 I didn't get as many marks in the exam as I had hoped.

SUCCESSFUL

I _____ in the exam as I had hoped.

8 I succeeded in doing more work today than I did yesterday.

AS

I wasn't able _____ work yesterday as I did today.

Word formation

- 6 For questions 1–8 read the sentences below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of the lines to form a word that fits into the gap.

1 Don't let your daughter eat that plant. It's _____ .

POISON

2 It's quite _____ to expect everyone to do some of the work, isn't it?

REASON

3 Jacob's list of qualifications is very _____ .

IMPRESS

4 This painting wasn't very expensive because it's not an _____ .

ORIGIN

5 My mum got very _____ at my sister's wedding and cried a lot.

EMOTION

6 My teacher said that my written work was _____ and I had to do it again.

CARE

7 The number of people who have lost their jobs this year is _____ .

WORRY

8 We were all _____ after walking for ten miles in one afternoon!

EXHAUST