



Match statements 1-5 in A to the correct answer (a-g) in B. Pay attention to the words in colour. There are two extra answers. Answers, page 44

Play the Game!

A

This sport is practised by people who want to **work out**, develop their muscles and **keep fit**. If you do it regularly, you'll be **in good shape**. Surprisingly, it requires **balance** as well as strength.

Admired as a **role model**, this NBA player was an exciting player to watch. He led his **teammates** at the LA Lakers to the **championships** five times. Sadly, he was killed in a helicopter crash along with his 13-year-old daughter.

This football tournament is named for the gold trophy given to the winning team. The winner as well as the **runners-up** take home huge money prizes. Various other **awards** are given including the Fair Play Trophy, which has nothing to do with **defeating** another team.

This martial art involves **striking** your **opponent** and blocking your opponent's attack. It was accepted for the Olympics for the first time in Japan, but suffered a **setback** when it was rejected for the following Olympics in Paris.

This gymnast has **ranked** first in her sport. She continually amazes fans with her **astounding** new **feats** and routines and no one understands how she **leaps** so high.

B

(a) karate

(b) The Super Bowl

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d Kobe Bryant

Michael Jordan

f weightlifting

The World Cup



LOOKING AT

LANGUAGE

Teammates are the people who are in your team. What words below can also be used with *mates*? How do you say them in your language?

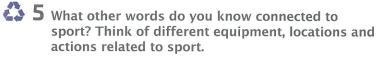
class | home | flat | job | room

2 Replace the words in bold with a word or phrase below that has a similar meaning.

feats | balance | keep fit | work out | astonishing | awards

- 1 Surfing requires a good sense of equilibrium.
- 2 She won some prestigious **prizes** at the last competition.
- 3 The player's performance was absolutely amazing.
- 4 It's a good idea to exercise at least three times a week.
- 5 Winning this tournament has been one of her greatest accomplishments.
- 6 I stay in good physical condition by going to the gym.

- 3 Decide if the following sentences are true or false. Correct the false sentences without changing the words in bold.
 - 1 People who do sport are usually in good shape.
 - 2 The players in your team are your opponents.
 - 3 A **setback** helps you reach your goal.
 - 4 In football, deliberately striking another player will get you a red card.
 - 5 When an athlete is ranked, their achievements are compared with their opponents' achievements.
- 4 Answer the questions. Pay attention to the words in bold.
 - 1 What is one **championship** that many people watch
 - 2 In what sports do athletes have to leap?
 - 3 If team A defeats team B, whose score is higher?
 - 4 In the Olympics, what medal does a runner-up
 - 5 How should an athlete behave in order to be a role model?



LISTENING Monologues

- What sports star or other celebrity do you admire? What do you admire about him or her?
- $\frac{1}{31}$ 7 You are going to hear four students talk about a sports star they admire. Decide which of the speakers (1-4) make the statements (a-f) below. There are two extra answers.

My favourite sports star

- a has talent that wasn't noticed until later
- b did not seem talented at first
- c entered the sport to solve a personal issue
- d is an innovator whose moves can't be imitated
- e has the potential to be the top athlete in his / her
- f took action because of a childhood event





	Marcus Rashford	0
Sport	1/////////////////////////////////	-
Country / Countries	2	
Interesting facts	He convinced his government to continue 3 for schoolchildren.	

3		
		Ramla Ali
	Sport	1\\\\\\\\
	Country / Countries	2
TELL	Interesting facts	She could not tell her family about 3

Simone Biles
1//////////////////////////////////
2
She was adopted by 3

9		Hakuho Sho
	Sport	1 \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
	Country / Countries	2
	Interesting facts	At first he wasn't accepted because he 3

SPEAKING Expressing Preferences

9 Would you rather participate in competitive sports, or do sport just for fun? Discuss with a partner. Give reasons for your answer.

I'd rather play for fun. For me, winning isn't that important.

- Personally, I prefer competing
- because it gives me more motivation.

USEFUL LANGUAGE ==

I prefer ...

I'd rather ...

Personally, ...

I think / don't think ...

For me, ...