

Winter Olympic Project

- Students:**
- * find out info. about a Winter Olympic nation
 - * present their project to the whole class
 - * follow their country during the Olympics!



Teaching
Resources



Name:

Date:



THE STORY OF _____

A FAMOUS WINTER OLYMPIAN

Research the story of a Winter Olympian. What important events happened in that person's life?

Personal Information

Family Life

Major Accomplishments

3 Interesting Facts

Early Life

Famous Quote

What Their Life Teaches Us



The Winter Olympics

Country Profile:

Name of Country: _____

Capital City: _____

Continent: _____

Population: _____

Language: _____

Currency: _____

Climate / Weather: _____

Products: _____



Australia

Country Australia

Capital Canberra

Location Oceania, continent between the Indian Ocean and the South Pacific Ocean

Size/Pop. 7,686,850 sq km / 20,000,000

Terrain mostly low plateau with deserts; fertile plain in southeast

Climate generally arid to semiarid; temperate in south and east; tropical in north

Languages English, native languages

Nationality noun: Australian(s)
adjective: Australian

Religion Anglican 26.1%, Roman Catholic 26%, other Christian 24.3%, non-Christian 11%, other 12.6%

Currency Australian dollar (AUD)

Exports coal, gold, meat, wool, alumina, iron ore, wheat, machinery and transport equipment



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Country Canada

Capital Ottawa

Location North America, bordering the North Atlantic Ocean on the east, North Pacific Ocean on the west, and the Arctic Ocean on the north, north of the conterminous US

Size/Pop. 9,984,670 sq km / Population: 31,000,000

Terrain mostly plains with mountains in west and lowlands in southeast

Climate varies from temperate in south to subarctic and arctic in north

Languages English 59.3% (official), French 23.2% (official), other 17.5%

Nationality noun: Canadian(s)
adjective: Canadian

Religion Roman Catholic 46%, Protestant 36%, other 18%

Currency Canadian dollar (CAD)

Exports motor vehicles and parts, industrial machinery, aircraft, telecommunications equipment; chemicals, plastics, fertilizers; wood pulp, timber, crude petroleum, natural gas, electricity, aluminum



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England

Country United Kingdom

Capital London

Location Western Europe, islands including the northern one-sixth of the island of Ireland between the North Atlantic Ocean and the North Sea, northwest of France

Size / Pop. 244,820 sq km / 60,000,000

Terrain mostly rugged hills and low mountains; level to rolling plains in east and southeast

Climate temperate; moderated by prevailing southwest winds over the North Atlantic Current; more than one-half of the days are overcast

Languages English, Welsh (about 26% of the population of Wales), Scottish form of Gaelic (about 60,000 in Scotland)

Nationality noun: Briton(s), British (collective plural)
adjective: British

Religion Anglican and Roman Catholic 40 million, Muslim 1.5 million, Presbyterian 800,000, Methodist 760,000, Sikh 500,000, Hindu 500,000, Jewish 350,000

Currency British pound (GBP)

Exports manufactured goods, fuels, chemicals; food, beverages, tobacco



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Country Germany

Capital Berlin

Location Central Europe, bordering the Baltic Sea and the North Sea, between the Netherlands and Poland, south of Denmark

Size / Pop. 357,021 sq km / 83,000,000

Terrain lowlands in north, uplands in center, Bavarian Alps in south

Climate temperate and marine; cool, cloudy, wet winters and summers; occasional warm foehn wind

Languages German

Nationality noun: German(s)
adjective: German

Religion Protestant 34%, Roman Catholic 34%, Muslim 3.7%, unaffiliated or other 28.3%

Currency euro (EUR)

Exports machinery, vehicles, chemicals, metals and manufactures, foodstuffs, textiles



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Country Italy

Capital Rome

Location Southern Europe, a peninsula extending into the central Mediterranean Sea, northeast of Tunisia

Size / Pop. 301,230 sq km / 57,500,000

Terrain mostly rugged and mountainous; some plains, coastal lowlands

Climate predominantly Mediterranean; Alpine in far north; hot, dry in south

Languages Italian (official), German (parts of Trentino-Alto Adige region are predominantly German speaking), French (small French-speaking minority in Valle d'Aosta region), Slovene (Slovene-speaking minority in the Trieste-Gorizia area)

Nationality noun: Italian(s)
adjective: Italian

Religion predominately Roman Catholic with mature Protestant and Jewish communities and a growing Muslim immigrant community

Currency euro (EUR)

Exports engineering products, textiles and clothing, production machinery, motor vehicles, transport equipment, chemicals; food, beverages, minerals



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Russia

Country Russia

Capital Moscow

Location Northern Asia (that part west of the Urals is included with Europe),
bordering the Arctic Ocean, between Europe and the North Pacific Ocean

Size / Pop. 17,075,200 sq km / 145,000,000

Terrain broad plain with low hills west of Urals; vast coniferous forest and tundra in
Siberia; uplands and mountains along southern border regions

Climate ranges from steppes in the south through humid continental in much of
European Russia; subarctic in Siberia to tundra climate in the polar north;
winters vary from cool along Black Sea coast to frigid in Siberia; summers
vary from warm in the steppes to cool along Arctic coast

Languages Russian, other

Nationality noun: Russian(s)
adjective: Russian

Religion Russian Orthodox, Muslim, other

Currency Russian ruble (RUR)

Exports petroleum and petroleum products, natural gas, wood and wood products,
metals, chemicals, and a wide variety of civilian and military manufactures



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Norway



Country Norway

Capital Oslo

Location Northern Europe, bordering the North Sea and the North Atlantic Ocean, west of Sweden

Size / Pop. 323,802 sq km / 5,300,000

Terrain Glaciated. High plateaus, rugged mountains. Deep valleys and fjords.

Climate Temperate along the coast, cold interiors. Rainy, snowy west coast.

Languages Norwegian (official), Sami (9 districts)

Nationality noun: Norwegian(s)
adjective: Norwegian

Religion Evangelical Lutheran 82.2%, Other Christian 3.9%, Muslim 2.3%,

Currency Norwegian Krone

Exports petroleum and gas, fishing, shipping, ship building, pulp and paper, mining



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▶ **United States of America**

Country United States

Capital Washington, DC

Location North America, bordering both the North Atlantic Ocean and the North Pacific Ocean, between Canada and Mexico

Size / Pop. 9,629,091 sq km / 278,000,000

Terrain vast central plain, mountains in west, hills and low mountains in east; rugged mountains and broad river valleys in Alaska; rugged, volcanic topography in Hawaii

Climate mostly temperate, but tropical in Hawaii and Florida, arctic in Alaska, semiarid in the great plains west of the Mississippi River, and arid in the Great Basin of the southwest; low winter temperatures in the northwest are ameliorated occasionally in January and February by warm chinook winds from the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains

Languages English, Spanish (spoken by a sizable minority)

Nationality noun: American(s)
adjective: American

Religion Protestant 56%, Roman Catholic 28%, Jewish 2%, other 4%, none 10% (1989)

Currency US dollar (USD)

Exports automobiles, industrial supplies and raw materials, consumer goods



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China



Country People's Republic of China

Capital Beijing

Location Eastern Asia, bordering the East China Sea, Korea Bay, Yellow Sea, and South China Sea, between North Korea and Vietnam

Size / Pop. 9,596,960 sq km sq km / 1,330,044,605 (July 2008 est.)

Terrain mostly mountains, high plateaus, deserts in west; plains, deltas, and hills in east

Climate extremely diverse; tropical in south to sub arctic in north

Languages Standard Chinese or Mandarin (Putonghua, based on the Beijing dialect), Yue (Cantonese), Wu (Shanghainese), Minbei (Fuzhou), Minnan (Hokkien-Taiwanese), Xiang, Gan, Hakka dialects, minority languages (see Ethnic groups entry)

Nationality noun: Chinese (person)
adjective: Chinese

Religion Daoist (Taoist), Buddhist, Christian 3%-4%, Muslim 1%-2%
note: officially atheist (2002 est.)

Currency yuan (RMB)

Exports machinery, electrical products, data processing equipment, apparel, textile, steel, mobile phones



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South Korea



Country People's Republic of Korea

Capital Seoul

Location Eastern Asia, southern half of the Korean Peninsula bordering the Sea of Japan and the Yellow Sea

Size / Pop. 98,480 sq km / 49,232,844 (July 2008 est.)

Terrain mostly hills and mountains; wide coastal plains in west and south

Climate temperate, with rainfall heavier in summer than winter

Languages Korean, English widely taught in junior high and high school

Nationality noun: Korean (s)
adjective: Korean

Religion Christian 26.3% (Protestant 19.7%, Roman Catholic 6.6%), Buddhist 23.2%, other or unknown 1.3%, none 49.3% (1995 census)

Currency won (RMB)

Exports semiconductors, wireless telecommunications equipment, motor vehicles, computers, steel, ships, petrochemicals



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Country

Country	New Zealand
Capital	Wellington
Location	Oceania, islands in the South Pacific Ocean, southeast of Australia
Size/Pop.	Approx. 4.5 million inhabitants
Terrain	predominately mountainous with large coastal plains
Climate	temperate with sharp regional contrasts
Languages	English (official) 89.8%, Maori (official) 3.5%, Samoan 2%, Hindi 1.6%
Nationality	New Zealander (Kiwi)
Religion	Christian 44.3%, Hindu 2.1%, Buddhist 1.4%, Maori Christian 1.3%
Currency	New Zealand dollar
Exports	dairy products, meat and edible offal, logs and wood articles, fruit, oil



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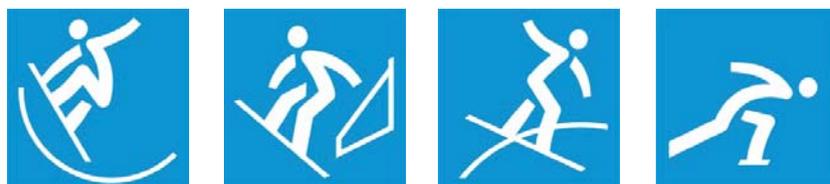
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WINTER OLYMPIC SPORTS



Can you name all these events at the Winter Olympics?



WINTER OLYMPIC SPORTS



Alpine Skiing
(Speed)



Alpine Skiing
(Technical)



Biathlon



Bobsleigh



Cross Country
Skiing



Curling



Figure Skating



Freestyle Skiing
Aerials



Freestyle Skiing
Halfpipe



Freestyle Skiing
Moguls



Freestyle Skiing
Slopestyle



Freestyle Skiing
Ski Cross



Ice Hockey



Luge



Nordic Combined



Short Track Speed
Skating



Skeleton



Ski Jumping



Snowboard
Big Air



Snowboard
Cross



Snowboard
Halfpipe



Snowboard
Parallel Giant Slalom

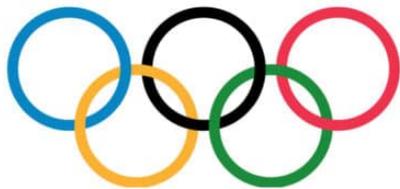


Snowboard
Slopestyle



Speed Skating

BEIJING 2022



Olympics Find It! Quiz Name _____

1. This word starts with a "G." It is the name of the country where the Olympic Games began in ancient times. What is it?

2. This word starts with an "A." It is the name of someone who excels at a sport. What is this word?

3. This word starts with a "T." It is an object that carries a flame. What is it? _____

4. This word starts with an "S." It is a large building in which many sports events are held. What is it called?

5. This word starts with an "S." It is a hot season of the year in which some Olympic Games are held. What is it?

6. This word starts with a "W." It is a cold season of the year in which some Olympic Games are held. What is it?

7. This word starts with an "F." It is the number of rings in the Olympics flag. What is it? _____

8. This word starts with an "M." It is an award given to the top three people in each event in the Olympics. What is one of these called? _____

9. This word starts with a "G." It is a precious metal. The top athlete in each event receives an object coated with this metal. What is this metal? _____

10. This word starts with an "S." It is a valuable metal. The second-best athlete in each event receives an object coated with this metal. What is this metal? _____

11. This word starts with a "B." It is a metal alloy (a mixture of other metals). The third-best athlete in each event receives an object coated with this metal. What is this metal?

12. This word starts with a "B." It is a team sport that involves a sled and Jamaica is participating. It is included in the Winter Olympics. What is it called? _____

13. This word starts with a "B" It is a sport where athletes ski and shoot a gun. It is included in the Winter Olympics. What is it called? _____

14. This word starts with an "S." In the Winter Olympic games, you'll see figure skaters and hockey skaters wearing these on their feet. What are they? _____

15. This word starts with an "V." It is the name of the country that hosted the 2010 Winter Olympic Games. What is it?

Answer key:

1. Greece
2. Athlete
3. Torch
4. Stadium
5. Summer
6. Winter
7. Five
8. Medal
9. Gold
10. Silver
11. Bronze
12. Bobsled
13. Biathlon
14. Skates
15. Vancouver

Which Winter Olympic sport is it? - One person reads, the others try to be the first to guess.

Alpine skiing – This sport is also often called ‘downhill skiing’ in English. Alpine skiing is a sport that involves sliding (or skiing) down a snow-covered mountain on two skis that are attached to the feet with “fixed-heel binding” or a connection between the feet and skis that doesn’t allow for lifting the feet off the skis.

Biathlon – This is a sport that is a combination of two sports: cross-country skiing and rifle shooting. In this sport athletes ski along relatively flat ground and also stop to shoot, with guns, at specific targets.

Bobsleigh – This sport is also called ‘bobsled.’ Competing in bobsleigh involves teams (of two or four people) making timed runs down a narrow ice-covered track in a small sled. The sled is pushed at the top of the track and then driven as it goes down. The hope is to get the fastest time(s).

Cross-country skiing – The name of this sport is sometimes written as ‘XC skiing.’ Cross-country skiing involves racing on skis over snow-covered ground, that is relatively flat (i.e. not mountainous). The point is to ski the fastest and be the first to complete the course that is set out.

Curling – This is a team sport in which one member of the team slides a large round stone down the ice, with other team members aiding the movement with brooms. The point of the game is to move the large stone to the target. (There is a picture of curling above.)

Figure skating – This sport involves both individuals and couples skating in an artistic manner on an ice rink. In the Olympic Games there are many figure skating competitions, including: men’s and ladies’ singles, pair skating, and ice dancing. The routines the athletes perform are rated by judges who determine which athlete did the best.

Freestyle skiing – This sport is also called ‘freeskiing’ and ‘newschool skiing.’ This sport involves skiing while performing tricks, jumps, and skiing around obstacles.

Ice hockey – This is a team sport played in an ice rink with players wearing ice skates. The players use sticks to move a small rubber disc (hockey puck) around the ice, trying to score a goal against the other team.

Luge – This sporting competition is played both individually or in pairs. It involves lying on a small sled feet-first (feet leading) and sliding down a narrow ice-covered track. The point of this sport is to have the fastest time running down the track.

Nordic combined – This is a sport that is a combination of two sports: cross-country skiing and ski jumping. Competitors participate in both a cross-country ski race and perform ski jumps to see who can jump the furthest.

Short track speed skating – This is a form of competitive ice skating where the point is to skate as fast as possible around a small oval ice track.

Skeleton – This is another sport that involves riding a sled down a frozen track to get the fastest time possible. In skeleton, athletes ride on top of a small sled, face-first (head leading) down an ice-covered track. This is considered a particularly dangerous sport. (See the picture below.)

Ski jumping – This sport involves skiing down a “takeoff” ramp, which is a tall man-made hill, and then trying to jump the furthest from the starting point. The athletes gain speed as they go down the takeoff ramp, then they try to hold an aerodynamic position while flying through the air to go as far as possible before landing on the snow.

Snowboarding – This sport is similar to skiing; only it involves one large board instead of two skis. In snowboarding competitions, athletes either race for the fastest time down a mountain or perform tricks in what is called the half-pipe for the best score.

Speed skating – This is a form of competitive ice skating where the point of the competition is to skate as fast as possible around an ice track. There are varying distances that the athletes compete in and there are also team or relay events in speed skating.

Snowcross and Skicross – Competitors in a group snowboard (snowcross) and ski (skicross) down a course to the finish line. Competitors are eliminated in each race until there is a final race for the medals.

Slopestyle - a winter sport in which athletes ski or snowboard down a course including a variety of obstacles including rails, jumps and other terrain park features. Points are scored for amplitude, originality and quality of tricks.

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