

Unit 9

Vocabulary

Study the following words and expressions.

- player — игрок
team — команда
opponent — противник
to lose — проигрывать
to win — побеждать
to score — забивать (гол)
to comprise — включать (в себя)
gases — гонки; horse races — скачки, motor
гонки
representative — представитель
cycling — велосипедный спорт
skating — конькобежный спорт
skiing — лыжный спорт
rowing — гребля
yachting — яхтенный спорт
devoted — преданный



Reading

Read the text.

Sports and Games

We are sure you are all interested in sport. Many of you certainly play such games as volleyball or football, basketball or tennis. People who play a game are players. Players form teams and play matches with other teams — their opponents. Two players playing with each other are partners. Each team can lose or win. In a football match players try to score as many goals as they can. Most matches take place in large stadiums.

Sports on Land, in Water, in the Air

Athletics is the most popular sport. People call it "the queen of all sports". It comprises such kinds of sports as running (for different distances), jumping (long and high jumps) and others.

From time to time international championships and races (horse races, motor races, cycle races) take place. Representatives of various countries can win gold, silver or bronze medals. Such great championships in sports are organized every four years and we call them the Olympic Games. Only the best may take part in them.

There are so many kinds of sports, such as cycling, swimming, gymnastics, boxing, skating, skiing, rowing, yachting and many more in which you can take an active part or just be a devoted fan.



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Are these statements true or false? Correct the false ones.

1. People who play a game are sportsmen.
2. Two players playing with each other are opponents.
3. Gymnastics is the queen of all sports.
4. The most popular sport is tennis.
5. Athletics comprises such kinds of sports as running, jumping, racewalking, throwing and others.
6. International championships take place every four years.
7. The Olympic Games are a major international championship in which thousands of athletes participate in a variety of competitions.
8. The Olympic Games are organized every five years.
9. Everyone who likes sport can take part in the Olympic Games.
10. The athletes or teams who place first, second or third in each event receive medals.

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