

15 – Sports

Useful Vocabulary

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| athlete | stadium | World Cup |
| athletic | kick | penalty |
| amateur | throw | defend |
| professional athlete | pass | defeat |
| talent | catch | beat (someone) |
| skill | shoot | lose to (someone) |
| football / soccer / basketball / tennis player | block | tie |
| cyclist | dive | draw |
| team | exercise | victory |
| teammate | fitness | (final) score |
| teamwork | compete | (gold / silver / bronze) medal |
| league | competition | trophy |
| coach | competitor | sportsmanship |
| train | opponent | perform |
| trainer | champion | performance |
| fan | championship | (set / break a) record |
| gym | event | world record |
| basketball / tennis court | tournament | support |
| soccer / football field | spectator | cheer |
| (skating) rink | umpire | |
| | referee | |



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Practice Questions

1. What is your favorite sport and why?
2. What is one sport you dislike or don't care for? Why?
3. Do you play any sports? If so, which sports do you play and why? If not, why?
4. How often do you play sports? When and where do you play them?
5. Are you on any sports teams? If so, describe your team. If not, what is one sports team you'd like to be a member of?
6. Do you consider yourself athletic? Why or why not?
7. Do you enjoy gym classes at your school? Why or why not?
8. Do you think sports is an important part of education? Why or why not?
9. Is there a sports team you are a fan of? Why do you like that team?
10. Which professional athlete do you especially admire and why?
11. Do you prefer playing or watching sports? Why?
12. Describe an exciting sports game that you watched or took part of.
13. Which professional sports games do you like to watch on TV? Describe a recent game that you watched.
14. Have you ever attended a professional sports event? If so, describe it. If not, why?
15. Do you think it's better to watch a sports game on TV or to attend a live event? Why?
16. How often do you exercise and why? Describe your exercise routine / regimen.
17. Do you consider exercise essential to your health? Why or why not?
18. In your opinion, why are sports popular with so many people?
19. Are there any sports that you consider dangerous? Explain.
20. Why do you think some people risk their life on extreme sports?
21. What do you think the advantages and disadvantages of being a professional athlete are? Explain.
22. In your opinion, do professional athletes earn too much money? Why or why not?
23. Would it be preferable to have only non-commercial sports teams? Why or why not?
24. Do you think that heavy competition in sports is positive or negative? Explain.



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