



MFL
Les Jeux Olympiques
Year 5, Sum 2



By the end of the unit I will be able to..

All about the key facts of the ancient Olympics in French.

Read, listen to and recognise the nouns in French for key sports in the current Olympic Games. All about the key facts of the modern Olympics in French.

Say and spell from memory some/all the nouns in French for key sports in the current Olympic games, with their correct gender/article.

Learn to use (conjugate) the verb faire to help me say what sports I/other people play/do and what sports I/other people do not play/do.

Speaking Exercise

Can you say any of the following in French?

- Cycling.
- Boxing.
- Athletics.
- I do athletics.
- I do not do boxing.

Listening Exercise

Write the numbers that correspond to the **five** Olympic sport: that Marc **DOES**.

(NB: Listen carefully as some sports are mentioned as sports Marc does **NOT** do!)

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Reading Exercise

Can you read the passage in French below and then answer any of the questions in English?

Les jeux antiques incluaient la course à pied, le saut en longueur, le lancer du poids, le lancer du javelot, la boxe, le pancrace et l'équitation.

- What is the French for 'ancient Olympic games'?
- What is the French for 'boxing'?
- What is the French for 'long jump'?
- What is the French for 'throwing the javelin'?
- What is the French for 'horse riding'?

Writing Exercise

Can you write any of the following five phrases in French?

- athletics
- cycling
- swimming
- I do horse riding
- I do not do rowing

Phonics & pronunciation we will see:

Recommended phonics focus: **QU Ç GNE EN AN**

- **QU** sound in **olympiques & antique**
- **Ç** sound in **français**
- **EN** sound in **commence, pendant & argent**
- **AN** sound in **antique, pendant & grands**
- **Silent letters.** The 's' is not pronounced in **grands, antiques** and the 't' is not pronounced in **amusant, barbant** or **fatigant.** -ENT is not pronounced at the end of a word as in **avaient** as it is part of the verb conjugation and a silent letter string.



Key Vocab

Les Jeux Olympiques- The Olympics

Les Jeux Olympiques de l'antiquité- The Ancient Olympic Games

Les Jeux Olympiques modernes- The Modern Olympics Games

le tir à l'arc- archery

le triathlon- triathlon

l'escrime-fencing

je fais de la /je fais du/je fais de l'- I do

la boxe-boxing

la natation-swimming

le cyclisme-cycling

l'aviron- rowing

l'équitation- horse riding

l'athlétisme- athletics

le plongeon-diving

