

70 Sport I: games, people, and places

In English you normally play a game but do a lot of / a bit of sport.
In the winter I do quite a lot of skiing; in the summer I play tennis and cricket.

A Ball games and equipment

football (AmEng = soccer)
basketball
tennis
squash



rugby
golf
table tennis
badminton

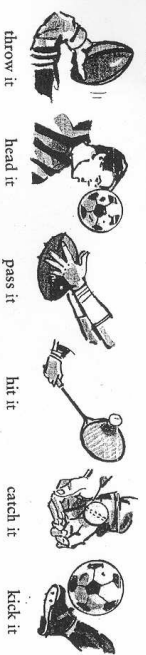


volleyball
baseball
cricket
hockey



For most ball games you need boots or training shoes (trainers).
For tennis, squash and badminton you need a racket.
For baseball and table tennis you need a bat. For golf you need clubs.
In tennis, volleyball and badminton there is a net across the middle of the court. There is also a net around each goal in football.

B Things you can do with a ball



throw it head it pass it hit it catch it kick it

C Places and people

The playing area for football, rugby, hockey and cricket is called a pitch; for tennis, volleyball, basketball, squash and badminton it is a court; for golf it is a course.
Note: When you describe the playing area for football and the area around for the crowd (= the people who watch, also called spectators), it is called a stadium, e.g. Wembley Stadium.
Players: Some games are played by individuals, others are team games. In a team, one player is the captain, and there is a manager (e.g. in football) or a coach (e.g. in basketball).
Officials: Football, rugby and hockey have a referee but tennis, cricket and baseball have an umpire. In football the referee has a whistle to control the game and two linesmen. In tennis there are line judges to decide if the ball is 'in' or 'out'.

D Other sports

Name	Place	Equipment
athletics	track	vests, shorts, running shoes or spikes (pic)
motor racing	track	crash helmet
swimming	pool	swimming costume (women); trunks (men)
boxing	ring	vest, shorts, gloves, boots
skiing	slopes (pluse)	sticks, ski suits, ski boots

Exercises

70.1 Write down six things you can do with a ball. Cover the opposite page first.

..... it it it it it

70.2 Write down:

- five games where you can hit the ball (with various kinds of equipment).
- four games where you can pass the ball.
- three games where you can catch the ball.
- two games where you can kick the ball.
- one game where you can head the ball.

70.3 Organise these words and put them in the correct columns below? (You can put a word in more than one column if you wish.)

Sport	Place	Equipment
swimming	gloves	crash helmet
ring	boots	pool
pitch	track	trunks
	boxing	goals
		costume
		shorts
		whistle
		vest
		football
		course
		clubs
		tennis
		net
		racket
		court
		track
		golf

70.4 True or false? If false, correct the sentence to make it true.

- The people who watch a football match are the audience.
- The official who gives the score in tennis is the umpire.
- Athletes wear shorts.
- You need a stick to play hockey.
- Boxers wear gloves.
- Tennis is played on a pitch.
- The referee in football has a whistle.
- Women wear trunks for swimming.

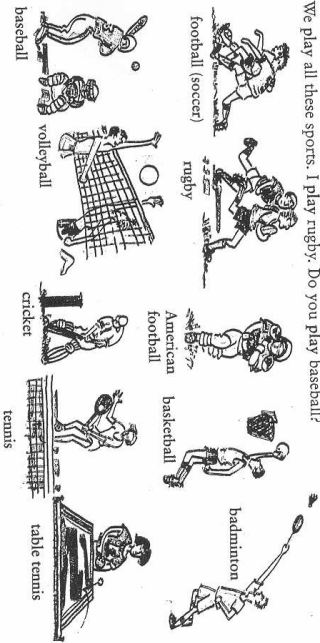
70.5 Answer these questions. If possible, ask a friend the same questions.

- Are there any games or sports on the opposite page that you watch but don't play? If so, what are they and where do you watch them?
- Are there any games or sports on the opposite page you play/do yourself? If so, which?
- Are there any that you are good at?
- Are there any that you hate?
- Are there any that are not played much in your country?
- Which game or sport is the most popular in your country?
- Which game or sport on the opposite page is the most dangerous in your opinion?
- Which game or sport requires the most strength?
- Which one has the biggest crowds?
- Can you write down at least three more games/sports not included opposite.

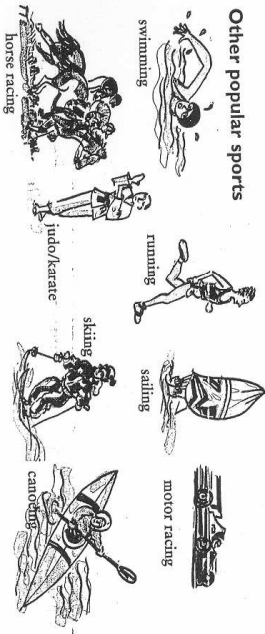
54 Sports

A Ball games

We play all these sports. I play rugby. Do you play baseball?



B Other popular sports



We use go or do with most of these sports. I go running. He does canoeing. We use do only with judo and karate. She does judo. I do karate.

C Asking questions about sports

Do you do any sports? Yes, I go swimming/running/sailing/canoeing.
Do you play football/tennis/badminton?
What's your favourite sport? I like motor racing best.
(See Unit 4.)

D Where we do sports

We play tennis/badminton/volleyball/basketball on a tennis/badminton/volleyball/basketball court.
We play football/cricket/rugby on a football/cricket/rugby field or pitch. We swim in a swimming pool.

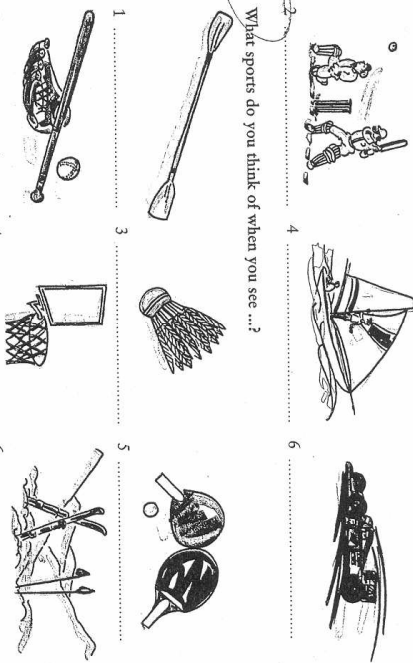
Exercises

54.1 Cover the left-hand page and try to remember the names of these sports.



1 3 5

54.2 What sports do you think of when you see ...?



1 3 5
2 4 6

54.3 Ask questions for these answers.

1. *Mark's favourite sport?*
I like running best.
2. Do you?
Yes, but not soccer, only American football.
3.?
No, I don't do any at all. I prefer watching TV.
4. Do you?
Yes, I go to the swimming pool every Friday.

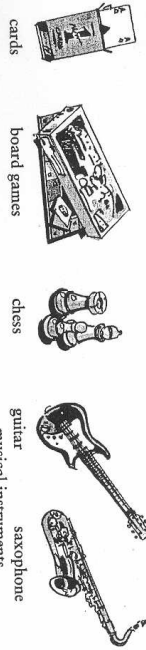
54.4 Write the names of the sports you have done. Which ones do you like? Which do you not like? Which ones would you like to do?

Tip: Make a page in your vocabulary book for 'sports'. Look at the sports pages of an English language newspaper. Write down the names of sports you do not know. Look them up in a dictionary.

69 Hobbies

Hobbies are activities that we do in our spare time (= free time).

A Things people play



Note: People join clubs (= become members of clubs) where they can play cards and chess.

B Things people collect



C Outdoor activities



With these hobbies we can use two different verbs, go and do. We often go camping in the summer. Or I do a bit of / a lot of rock climbing in the summer.

D Creative hobbies



Caroline makes her own clothes. (= she makes clothes for herself; she doesn't buy them)

Barbara likes photography.

Bright is mad about (= really likes) DIY. (DIY = do-it-yourself)

Note: When we start a hobby for the first time we often use the phrasal verb take up, and when we stop doing the hobby for the final time, we often use the phrasal verb give up. I took up golf when I was fifteen, but I gave it up last year.

Exercises

69.1 Without looking at the opposite page, write down:

- three things that people often play
- three things that people often collect
- five outdoor hobbies which include some physical exercise

69.2 Here are some people talking about their hobbies. Can you guess what the hobby is in each case?

- I usually use colour, but sometimes you get a better effect with black and white. It really depends on the subject.
- I really enjoy going round the shops and markets looking for a bargain.
- I try to practise every day, but sometimes it's difficult because I don't like to disturb my neighbours too much. And one neighbour gets very angry if I play the same thing over and over again.
- The great thing is you can do it when you like. I usually do it three or four times a week - either early in the morning, or after school. I only go for about 25 minutes but it really keeps me fit.
- Obviously it saves me a lot of money, and in any case, I hate buying things in boutiques because so many things are badly made.
- I joined a club because I wanted to get better, and I now play twice a week in the evenings. It has helped me a lot and I have a much better memory for all the different moves and strategies.
- I think this is a very common hobby for people like me, who have a house but don't have much money. That's why I started, but now I think I do a better job than many professionals.

69.3 Complete these sentences with a suitable verb.

- How often do you jogging?
- She hiking because she wanted to get more exercise. Unfortunately, she didn't like it and she it about six months later.
- She has always her own clothes; it's much cheaper than buying them.
- He old coins.
- I quite a lot of rock climbing when I'm on holiday.
- I learnt to the piano when I was at school.
- I wanted to improve my chess, so I a chess club.
- I don't really anything in my spare time.

69.4 Answer these questions:

- Have you got a hobby? If so, what is it?
- How long have you had this hobby?
- Is it an expensive hobby?
- Why do you like it?
- How much time do you spend on your hobby?
- Is it a common hobby in your country?
- Write down three other common hobbies in your country. If possible, ask another person these questions.