

Partners:



2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Cyber Hunt (Level 8th)

Learn about the history of the Olympics and the Summer Games with this fun cyber hunt.

1. The first Olympic games were held in _____ in the country of _____. At the first games, the only events were _____. Eventually, _____ and _____ were added to the games played.
2. In _____ the first Modern Olympics were held in _____, the capital of Greece. _____ countries took part in _____ events. Why didn't Baron Pierre de Coubertin, who founded the International Olympic Committee in 1894, allow women to participate? _____
3. Ancient Greeks thought fire was given to man by the god of fire named _____. _____ and _____ were used to create fire by early Greeks.
4. The original games were held in honor of the Greek's chief god _____. Winners received a wreath made of _____ called a _____. _____ were not allowed to compete or attend.
5. The Olympic flag with five interlocking rings (on a white background) are the following colors _____ and represent the continents which participate in the Olympics. Which is the only continent not represented at the games? _____ Why were these colors selected? _____ Which three continents have yet to host an Olympic Game? _____
6. Which pair of sports is NOT part of the summer Olympics?
(gymnastics and archery) (track and field and cycling) (curling and skeleton)

7. Where will the next summer Olympics be held and when? _____
Where will the next winter Olympics be held and when? _____
Which United States cities have hosted winter and summer Olympics to date?

8. What is the name for the Official mascots of the Beijing Olympic Games? _____.
Which four popular animals do the mascots represent? _____. If you
place the names of the mascots together they say what in Chinese? _____
9. In which year did the first women complete in the Olympics? _____ Which event
did women participate? _____
Who was the first woman to win an Olympic event? _____
10. What is the slogan of the 2008 Summer Olympics? _____ How many
countries will be participating? _____ How many NEW sports will be added to this
summer Olympics? _____ What will be a new event for women at the summer
games? _____) Why are some people talking of boycotting the
games? _____

Resources:

<http://www.factmonster.com/spot/olympicstimeline.html>

<http://www.factmonster.com/sports/ol...pic-torch.html>

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/olympics/>

<http://www.teachervision.fen.com/oly...orts/2260.html>

<http://geography.about.com/od/countr...mpiccities.htm>

<http://en.beijing2008.cn/spirit/beij...14068254.shtml>

<http://www.topendsports.com/events/summer/firsts.htm>

<http://summerolympicsnews.com/index....lympics-facts/>

KEY:

1. 776 BC/ancient Greek/ foot races/ wrestling and pentathlon
2. 1896/ Athens/ 43 events/ “impractical, uninteresting, unaesthetic, incorrect
3. Prometheus/mirrors and sun
4. Zeus/ olives/ “kotinos”/ women
5. blue, yellow, black,green, red/antarctica/ flags of all the nations include one of the five colors/Africa, South America and Antarctica
6. curling and skeleton
7. London, UK in 2012/ Vancouver, Canada in 2010/ Lake Placid, Squaw Valley,Lake Placid, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles and Atlanta
8. Fuwa/panda, Tibetan antelope, swallow and fish/ Welcome to Beijing
9. 1900/ croquet/ Charolotte Cooper in tennis in 1900
10. over 200/ One World, One Dream/ 9/ 3000m steeplechase/ China’s poor humanitarian history/treatment of protesters in Tibet.