











Are you good at any sports? Have you been to a sports game?





## Read with the teacher and then answer the question below.

Born in Wuhan, the capital of Hubei Province in central China, Li Na enjoyed playing badminton when she was a child.





Read with the teacher and then answer the question below.

A tennis **coach** noticed Li Na's potential, so he convinced Li's parents to let her play **tennis** instead. Li began playing tennis and turned professional when she was a teenager.



Do you have a teacher who has helped you a lot?



To be continued...



#### Read with the teacher and then move to the Word Focus.

When Li Na reached the **finals** of the French Open in 2011, one hundred and sixteen million people in China watched her play. They hoped that she would become the first Asian woman ever to win a Grand Slam tennis tournament, and she did.



#### **Word Focus**

- He was defeated in the finals.
- Have you ever watched a sports final?



To be continued... >>



### Read with the teacher and then answer the question below.

Li Na's **victory** in the 2014 Australian Open earned her the world No. 2 ranking. In 1988, only about one million people in China played tennis. Now, the number has grown to fourteen million, and Li Na's **success** will only make that number swell.







How did Li Na influence tennis in China?







## Fill in the blanks by using the words from the Word Bank.



Li Na played \_\_\_\_\_ when she was

young. Then a \_\_\_\_\_ noticed her.



Li Na has won many \_\_\_\_\_ games,

including two Grand Slam \_\_\_\_\_.



Li Na's \_\_\_\_\_ earned her the ranking

of number two in the world. Her \_\_\_\_\_

influenced tennis in China.

**Word Bank** victories tennis coach badminton success finals

More challenges! >>



Discuss with the teacher.

Q1. Why do so many people watch sports?

Many people watch sports because ...

Q2. What does success mean to you? Success means ...

Q3. Who is your role model? Why?

My role model is ... because ...







### In this lesson, we...



# learned about the life of Li Na.





### learned new words.

- badminton 🗆 coach
- ☐ tennis
   ☐ finals
- □ victory □ success



