

Jobs in the sports industry

VOCABULARY

LEVEL
Lower-intermediate

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LANGUAGE
English

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Goals

- Can identify and describe in, simple terms, sports and jobs in the sports industry.
- Can give my opinion on the pros and cons of working in the sports industry.





There are many roles in the sports industry, from **professional** athletes to **behind-the-scenes** staff, such as **coaches** or **journalists**.



Warm-up and preview

In this lesson, you will learn vocabulary related to jobs in the sports industry.



She is a sports **journalist**, she usually writes about **football**.

professional



He is a **professional** footballer, he plays for Manchester United.

team sports



I enjoy **team sports** because they are sociable.

football

rugby



In **football** the players kick the ball, but in **rugby** the players throw and catch the ball.

basketball

baseball



Basketball and **baseball** are very popular sports in the USA.



Sentence examples



Professional footballers earn a lot of money.

Team sports are a good way to make new friends.



Rugby is a popular game in England.



Sentence examples



Football is a popular game all over the world.

Basketball players are usually very tall.



The New York Yankees are a famous **baseball** team.



Build the sentence

Use the vocabulary below to create sentences about team sports





Writing

Write a short text about sports you like or don't like using the pictures below

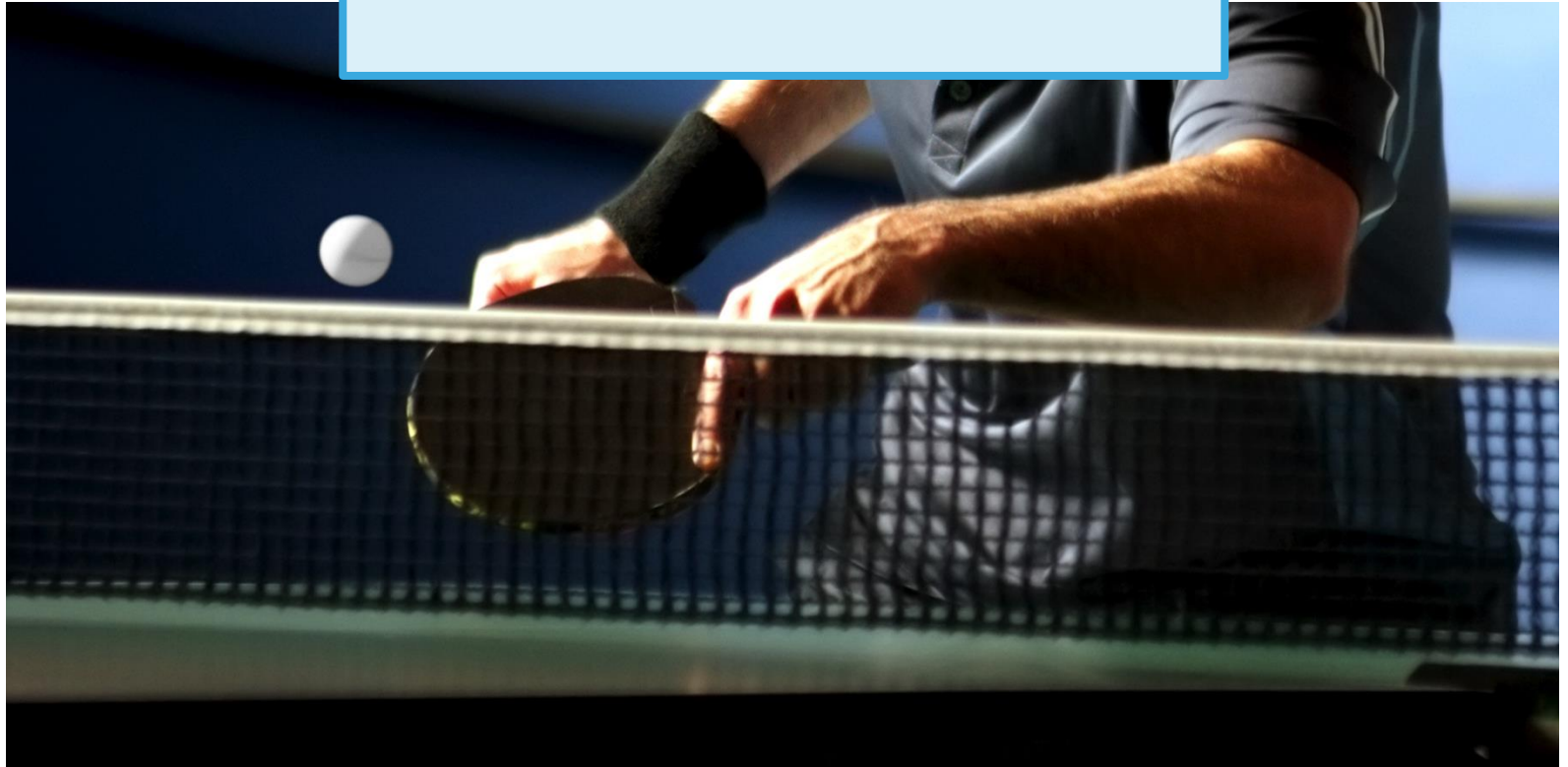




Discuss

**Which sport do
you like
watching the
most and why?**

individual sports



You can play **individual sports** alone or against a partner.

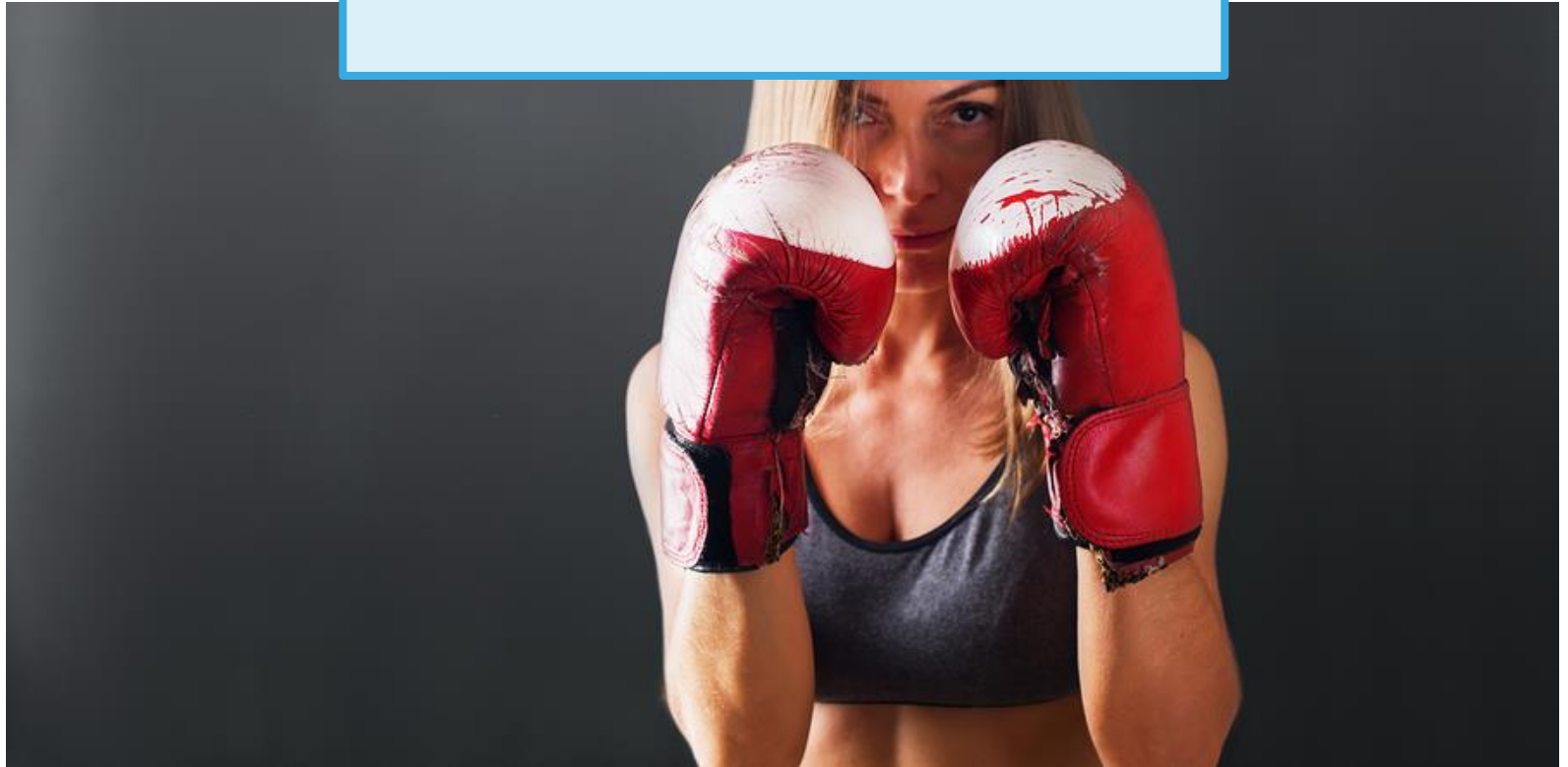
golf

tennis



Golf and **tennis** players can earn a lot of money in tournaments.

boxing



Boxing involves two opponents fighting each other, sometimes to win a belt.

cycling

running



Cycling and **running** are very good for our health.



Sentence examples



I like **individual sports** because I can play them when I want to.

Big **boxing** matches take place in stadiums all around the world.



He likes to play **golf** with his colleagues.



Sentence examples



Wimbledon is a famous **tennis** tournament.

I usually go **cycling** around the lake at the weekend.



She enjoys **running** as it helps her to relax.



Which do you prefer playing and why?

individual or team
sports?

tennis or basketball?

running or football?

cycling or rugby?



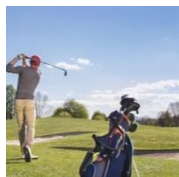
Discuss

Discuss each statement written below. Do you agree, disagree, why?



1

Cycling is more fun than running.



2

Golf is a great sport to do with people from work.



3

Boxing is a very boring sport, I hate watching it!

behind the scenes



Lots of people work **behind the scenes** in sports so we can see matches on TV.

producer



The **producer** helps to create sports programmes that we watch on TV.

referee



The **referee** makes sure all the rules in a sporting fixture are followed.

physio



The **physio** looks after professional sports players when they are injured.

journalist

reporter



The **journalist** writes or speaks about sporting events and people, and the **reporter** relays what happened.

coach

manager



The **coach** trains a team whilst the **manager** is in charge of a team.



Sentence examples



The **behind the scenes** team keep football matches on our TVs.

She is a **producer** and works on all the major tennis competitions.



The **referee** knows the rules of the game very well.



Sentence examples



The **physio** helps injured sports people return to fitness.

She is a **journalist** and writes about football.



He is a **reporter** for a sports magazine.

The **coach** delivers the training sessions and the **manager** makes the decisions.





Match the two parts of the sentence

1. A coach...

a. helps injured sportspeople.

2. A producer...

b. knows and enforces the rules of the sport.

3. A referee...

c. gives their opinion about a sports match.

4. A physio...

d. creates sports programmes for TV.

5. A reporter...

e. helps a sportsperson be better.



Read the text

My best friend is a **professional rugby** player, which means he gets paid to play **rugby**! There are lots of people who work for his team **behind the scenes**, like the **manager** and **coach**, who have helped his career because they have supported him all along.





Complete the sentences

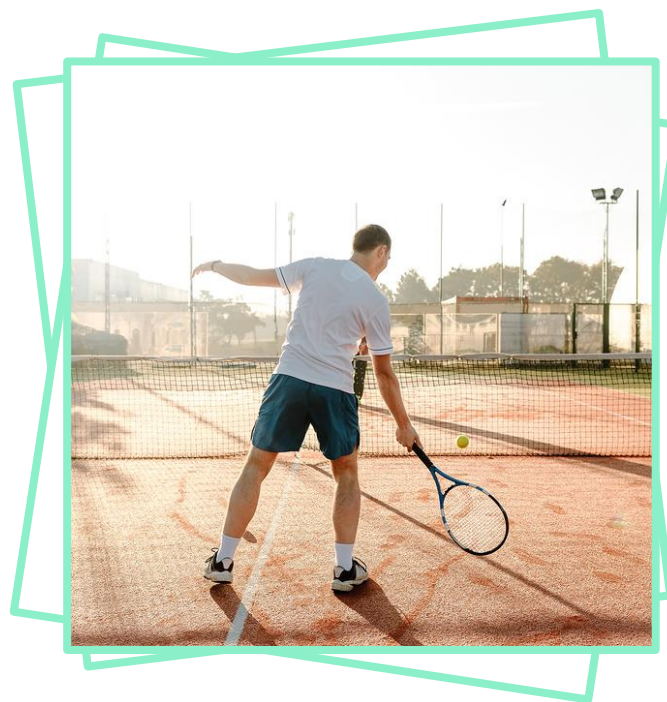
Complete the following sentences using the correct vocabulary

1. _____ sports people get paid to play sports.
2. Rugby is an example of a _____.
3. The _____ trains the team.
4. The _____ selects the team which has helped this player.



Who are the people in the photos below?

Use your imagination and try to describe what the people in the photos do in the sports industry. Try to use as much of the vocabulary that you have learnt as possible





Discuss

- Discuss the different roles in the sports industry.
- How easy is it to play a sport professionally? Would you like to?
- Is it better to be a coach rather than a sportsperson?





Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no





Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



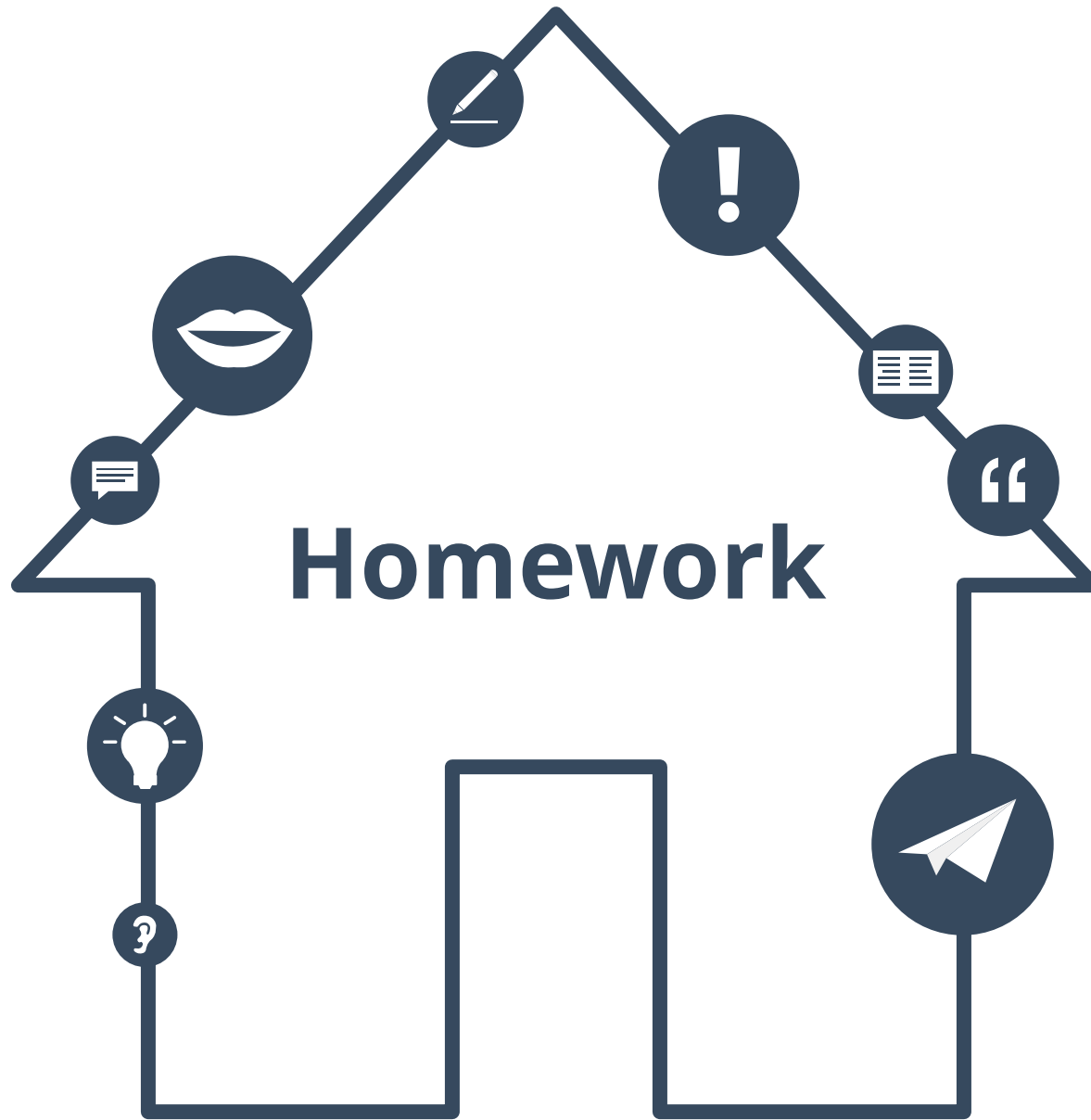
If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise 2, p.32
1. Professional
2. Team sport
3. Coach
4. Manager

Exercise 1, p.30
1. E
2. D
3. B
4. A
5. C





Categorise the vocab into the correct columns

producer

baseball

reporter

manager

rugby

journalist

cycling

referee

golf

coach

physio

football

Behind the scenes

Sports



Homework writing activity

Write a 150 word text about the sports you enjoy playing and or watching, as well as the behind the scene jobs you are interested in.

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Homework answer key

List activity, pp 39
Behind the scenes
Coach, manager, physio, journalist, reporter, referee, producer
Sports
Football, baseball, rugby, golf, cycling, football



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