

# Doping Scandals at Olympics

## Discussion

What is your job?

I work as an engineer in a startup company.

What kind of engineer are you?

I am responsible for inventing equipment.

The equipment can be used to improve traffic safety.

Do you have any hobbies?

Yes, I do. I like running in my free time.

Running is very conducive to me.

Running is conducive to weight loss.

Why do you want to improve your English?

I want to change my current job, the job that I want to apply for requires a good level of English.

What is going on with Lenka?

She won't come to the class.

I like watching Olympic games because it's a big event, there are many famous athletes. It's exciting and encouraging.

Beijing 2022 Olympics were organized three months ago. It was very exciting and many young athletes became very popular.

What is your favorite Olympic discipline?

I like table tennis and snowboarding.

What is doping?

The use of drugs in order to enhance athlete's performance.

What is a scandal?

Bad news, usually disappointing about a famous person.

What do you know about this subject?

Some people used doping to enhance their performance. There are strict rules.

Doping is banned but there are always some athletes who attempt to use doping.

In order to take part in Olympics you need to go through a very extensive medical examination. So how do they get away with doping?

New drugs are developed all the time, so they are very hard to detect.

Why would a country like Russia, promote doping among athletes?

They want to achieve a lot, and they don't care.

These drugs can be very harmful to athletes' health.

That isn't so easy to accept, the fact that you know that you don't deserve something.

Would you cheat like that?

The government has strict measure but people still commit crime.

## Vocabulary

### New words

1. sample(noun)
2. cheat(noun)
3. whistleblower(noun)
4. cover-up(noun)
5. performance enhancing drug(noun)
6. integrity(noun)

### Useful words

1. resilient(adj.):able to withstand difficult blows, damage.
2. conducive(adj.):making an outcome more likely to happen.
3. athlete(noun):person who does sports professionally.

## Grammar

### Past Tense

Be aware that we don't use past tense just sometimes, we use it all the time. When you talk about things that happened, that you did, or when you tell stories. Make sure you use past tense.

## Pronunciation

### THE

When the comes before a **vowel sound(a,e,i,o,u)**, pronounce it as /thi/.

the/thi/	the/th/
the end	the student
the air	the teacher
the hour	the university(a university)