

**THINK!** Name five famous international sports stars. Who is the most famous sports star in your country? What is his / her sport?

# Usain Bolt

- 1 Usain Bolt is an athlete from Jamaica. He was born on 21<sup>st</sup> August 1986 in Sherwood Content. He lives in Kingston now.
- 2 Bolt first competed in sprint races as a schoolboy. At sixteen, he became the youngest ever world junior champion for 200 metres.
- 3 Bolt broke world records in 100- and 200-metre races. He also won gold medals at the Olympics in Beijing and London. He's one of the most successful athletes.



- 1 Read the profile. Where was Usain Bolt born? When was his first world champion?
- 2 Look at the Key Phrases. Which phrases do we use in paragraphs 1–3? Read the profile again and check.

## KEY PHRASES

### Profile of a sports star

- 1 He/ She is from .....
- 2 He/ She was born .....
- 3 He/ She competed in .....
- 4 He / She won .....
- 5 He / She broke .....
- 6 He / She is one of the .....

## Language Point: Paragraphs

- 3 Read the text again. Match three topics from a–e with paragraphs 1–3.
  - a. His life now
  - b. Greatest moments
  - c. Basic information
  - d. Problems
  - e. Early career

## SKILLS STRATEGY

A profile should contain three paragraphs:

- Introduce the person (their name, place of birth, birthday and where they live).
- Write about the important events in their early life.
- Write about their most significant achievements. Finally, add a general comment as a summary.

- 4 **USE IT!** Read the Skills Strategy. Then follow the steps in the writing guide.

## WRITING GUIDE

### A TASK

Write a profile of a sports star for a website.

### B THINK AND PLAN

- 1 Think of a sports star who you like.
- 2 Find information about the person and choose the most important points.
- 3 Make notes using the Key Phrases and the paragraph titles in exercise 3.

### C WRITE

Write the profile using your notes.

### D CHECK

- past simple verb forms
- past time expressions
- paragraphs