

beat (v)	gold (n)	pitch (n)
captain (n)	(first/second) half (n)	qualify (v)
catch (v)	half-time (n)	round (n)
champion (n)	hit (v)	score (n/v)
court (n)	kick (v)	semi-final (n)
cycle (v)	lead (n)	stadium (n)
draw (n/v)	line (n)	throw (v)
final (n)	lose (v)	win (n/v)
flag (n)	net (n)	winner (n)
goal (n)	pass (v)	

A Complete the phrases using words from the box.

catch court goal hit kick net pitch stadium throw



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| 1 score a _____ | 4 a basketball _____ | 7 _____ a ball |
| 2 _____ a ball | 5 a sports _____ | 8 a volleyball _____ |
| 3 _____ a ball | 6 a football _____ | 9 _____ a ball |

B Choose the best words to complete the sentences.

- 1 She *kicked* / *threw* the football too hard and it went into the neighbours' garden.
- 2 Phillips *caught* / *passed* the ball to Hudson, who kicked it into the net.
- 3 We have to win this match to go through to the next *flag* / *round*.
- 4 The ball landed inside the *line* / *net*, so the player won the point.
- 5 He hit the golf ball towards the *flag* / *stadium*, but it went into the trees.
- 6 It started to rain, so the players left the tennis *court* / *pitch*.
- 7 The Austrian team is *catching* / *cycling* in the race for the first time.
- 8 We played quite well, but we didn't get any *goals* / *nets*.
- 9 Lewandowsky tried to *hit* / *throw* the ball, but she missed it.

C Complete the text. Use one word or phrase from the vocabulary list at the top of the page for each space. Use the correct form of the words.

- 1 Did anyone _____ the ball? ~ No, one of the players dropped it.
- 2 Did you _____ to the river? ~ Yes, we all had bikes.
- 3 What does that black-and-white _____ mean? ~ It means the race is over.
- 4 Did you go to the _____ for the match? ~ Yes, my dad took me.
- 5 Is your team through to the next _____? ~ No, we lost our last match.
- 6 What kind of _____ do you play hockey on? ~ We usually play on grass.
- 7 Did the ball land on the _____? ~ No, it was out.

Win or beat?

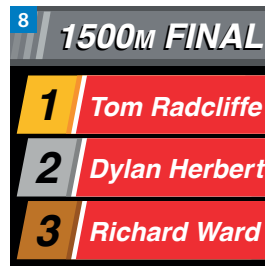
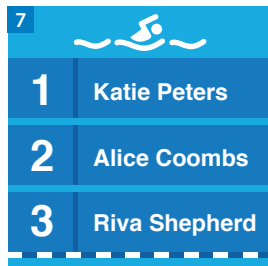
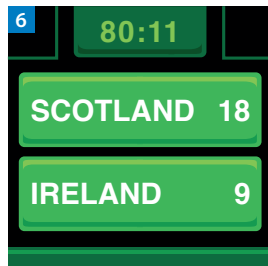
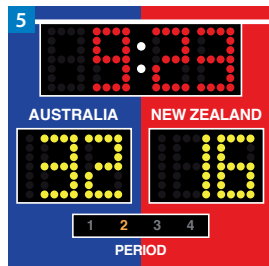
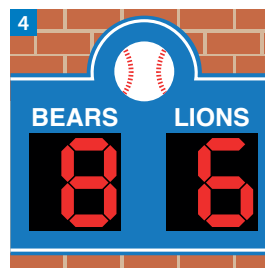
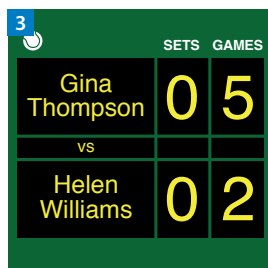
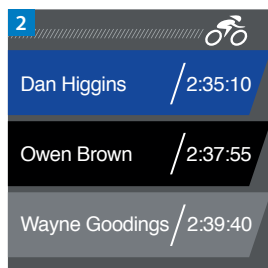
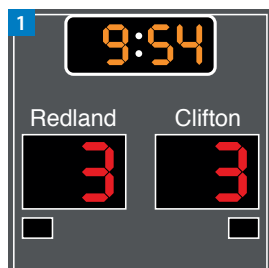
We use **win** or **win** + a competition, for example:

How did you get on? ~ We **won!** / We **won** the match!

We use **beat** + an opponent, for example: I **beat** my sister. Arsenal **beat** Chelsea. (NOT ~~Arsenal won Chelsea.~~)

D Complete the sentences using words from the box.

beating draw gold lead losing score winner winning



- 1 The match ended in a _____.
- 2 Dan Higgins is in the _____.
- 3 The _____ is 5–2.
- 4 The Lions are _____.
- 5 Australia is _____.
- 6 Scotland is _____ Ireland.
- 7 Katie Peters is the _____.
- 8 Tom Radcliffe has won the _____ medal.

E Match the first part of the sentences (1–9) to the second part (a–i).

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| 1 They're very disappointed; | a to become the new junior champion. |
| 2 If Pavel Hammond loses the next game, | b they won in 2014 and 2017. |
| 3 Jo Lewis has beaten Millie Seagram | c and the basketball final began. |
| 4 The Reds were in the lead, | d they haven't qualified for the next round. |
| 5 The captains shook hands, | e but I got there in time for the second half. |
| 6 They're champions for the third time; | f we won't qualify for the final. |
| 7 If we don't win the semi-final, | g but then the Blues scored twice to win. |
| 8 I missed the first half, | h Jack Smith will be the winner. |
| 9 At half-time, | i the coach gave all the players new positions. |

F Complete the texts. Use one word or phrase from the vocabulary list for each space.

Use the correct form of the words.

Jaguars and Panthers were the last two teams in the competition. The ¹_____ took place on 20 May. The ²_____ of the two teams led the players onto the pitch and the match began. Both teams scored once in the ³_____, and when they stopped at ⁴_____, the two teams were ⁵_____ 1–1. In the ⁶_____, both teams played well, but there were no more goals until the last minute, when Jaguars scored. The fans went mad – Jaguars were the ⁷_____ for the very first time!

Out of 24 athletes in the ⁸_____, only eight runners ⁹_____ for the final of the 200 m. It was a very close race, but in the end the ¹⁰_____ was the Jamaican, who broke the world record. This was his second ¹¹_____ medal of the competition since his incredible ¹²_____ in the 100 m.