



## Board game for level A2

### Teacher's notes:

#### Preparing the game:

- You need one piece per player and one die per group.
- Stick the two DIN A4 boards together and copy them for each group in DIN A3.

#### Playing the game:

Divide your class into groups of 3-4 players each. Every group gets a board. The players throw the die one after the other and move their pieces according to the number on the die.

#### There are five different kinds of squares:

1. Task squares
2. Empty squares
3. 'Have a break' squares
4. 'Bad luck!' squares
5. One 'You're lucky!' square

#### Task squares:

First the player reads the task or question aloud. Then he/she solves the task or answers the question. If he/she is right, he/she may stay on the square. If he/she can't solve the task, he/she has to move back to the square where he was before.

#### Empty squares:

Here you can add your own tasks or questions. Or you keep the squares free 'for a rest'.

#### 'Have a break' squares:

The player has to skip a turn.

#### 'Bad luck!' squares:

The player moves his/her piece back according to the instructions given.

#### 'You're lucky!' square:

The player moves his/her piece according to the instructions given.

The first player to reach FINISH is the winner.

Give a board to each group and then explain the rules to all the groups. After the groups have started the game, go from one group to the other and help the players in case of any doubts or questions.

Good luck!

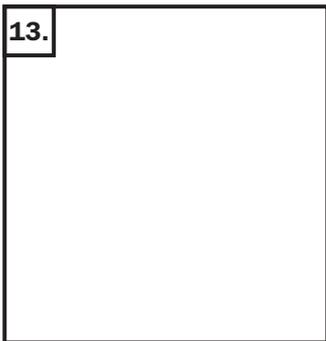


# The Olympic Games



**1. Simple Past or Present Perfect? Fill in the gap.**

The first Olympic Games of modern times \_\_\_\_\_ in Athens in 1896. (*take place*)



**12. Complete the sentences with the following prepositions:**

*from – in – of (2x) – to*

The 30<sup>th</sup> Olympic Games take place \_\_\_\_\_ the 27<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ July \_\_\_\_\_ the 12<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ August 2012 \_\_\_\_\_ London.

**11. Simple Present or Present Continuous? Fill in the gap.**

The Olympic Flame (*to be*) \_\_\_\_\_ on its way to England. At the moment, athletes (*to carry*) \_\_\_\_\_ the Olympic Torch from Olympia in Greece to London.

**10. Which of the following sports is not an Olympic one:**

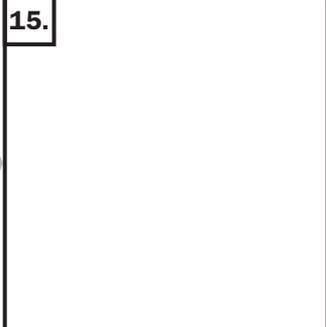
- a) long jump
- b) rollerblading
- c) artistic gymnastics rings



**14. Athletics – Translate the words in brackets.**

During the Olympic Games 1996 in Atlanta the Australian aborigine Cathy Freeman was (*zweite*) \_\_\_\_\_ in the 400m sprint for women. Only the French Marie-José Percec ran (*schneller*) \_\_\_\_\_ (*als*) \_\_\_\_\_ her.

If you got everything right, move 2 squares. Otherwise wait until you throw a 1.



**16. You're lucky!**



It is your birthday today. The players of your group form a circle around you and sing a birthday song to you. Move 2 squares.

**17. Football**



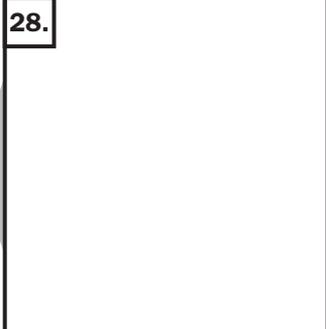
**Fill in the plural form of woman.** Since 1900 football has been an Olympic sport. However, \_\_\_\_\_'s football teams were allowed to participate for the first time in 1996.

**29. Cycling**



**During the road race you bumped into another cyclist. As a penalty you have to add the question tag to the following sentences and wait until you throw a 6.**

The last Summer Games took place in Beijing, \_\_\_\_\_? And Beijing is in China, \_\_\_\_\_?



**27. Discus-throwing**



You may move 2 squares if you - throw a paper-ball into the waste-paper basket in one go or - say the Simple Past and the Past Participle of the verb *throw*.

**26. Have a break.**



Skip a turn.

**30.**

**31. Marathon**



**Since or for? Fill in the gaps.** The original 42 km marathon runs from Marathon to Athens. Before the Olympic Games in 2004, this historic track had not been taken \_\_\_\_\_ almost 2500 years, \_\_\_\_\_ 490 B.C., when the Persian army was defeated by Athens.

**32. Bad luck!**



You fell off your horse. Move back 2 squares.

**33.**



# The Olympic Games



2.

3. Have a break.



Skip a turn.

4. Complete the sentence with the right word.

The Olympic Games are held \_\_\_\_\_ four years.

- a) any
- b) every
- c) all

5.

9.

8. Read aloud:

The Paralympic Games 2008 took place in Beijing from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> of September.

7. Bad luck!



You didn't train hard enough. Bend your knees 10 times or move back 2 squares.

6. Swimming



You may move on 3 squares if you - swim around the table three times (pantomime) or - say the Simple Present, Simple Past and Present Perfect of the verb *swim* for *he*.

18.

19. Read aloud:

In 2008 more than 11,000 athletes from about 204 nations took part in 302 competitions in 28 different sports.

20. Long jump



Ask for the underlined words with *When?* and *Who?* During the Summer Olympic Games 1968 in Mexico Bob Beamon jumped 8.90 m. Today Mike Powell holds the record with 8.95 m which he jumped in 1991. If both questions are right, move 3 squares. Otherwise move back 2 squares.

21.



The five Olympic Rings are a symbol of  
a) the five different Olympic sports.  
b) the five continents.  
c) the five big sponsors of the Summer Games.

25.

24. Football



In the United States, football as we know it is called  
a) rugby  
b) American football  
c) soccer

23. Have a break.



Skip a turn.

22.

34. Which sport is it?

Put the syllables into the right order and form the names of three Olympic sports.

ball - gym - ket - ming - nas - swim - tics - bas

If you get the sports right, move one square to FINISH. If not, move back 3 squares and wait until you throw a 4.

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## Solutions:

1. The first Olympic Games of modern times took place in Athens in 1896.
- 2.
- 3.
4. The Olympic Games are held every four years.
- 5.
6. he swims, he swam, he has swum
- 7.
8. The Paralympic Games two thousand eight took place in Beijing from the sixth to the seventeenth of September.
- 9.
10. b) rollerblading
11. The Olympic Flame is on its way to England. At the moment, athletes are carrying the Olympic Torch from Olympia in Greece to London.
12. The 30<sup>th</sup> Olympic Games take place from the 27<sup>th</sup> of July to the 12<sup>th</sup> of August 2012 in London.
- 13.
14. During the Olympic Games 1996 in Atlanta the Australian aborigine Cathy Freeman was second in the 400m sprint for women. Only the French Marie-José Percec ran faster than her.
- 15.
- 16.
17. Since 1900 football has been an Olympic sport. However, women's football teams were allowed to participate for the first time in 1996.
- 18.
19. In two thousand (and) eight more than eleven thousand athletes from two hundred and four nations took part in three hundred and two competitions in twenty-eight different sports.
20. When did Bob Beamon jump 8.90 m?  
Who jumped 8.95 m?
21. The five Olympic Rings are a symbol of the five continents.
- 22.
- 23.
24. In the United States, European football is called soccer.
- 25.
- 26.
27. throw - threw – thrown
- 28.
29. The last Summer Games took place in Beijing, didn't they?  
And Beijing is in China, isn't it?
- 30.
31. The original 42 km marathon runs from Marathon to Athens. Before the Olympic Games in 2004, this historic track had not been taken for almost 2,500 years, since 490 B.C., when the Persian army was defeated by Athens.
- 32.
- 33.
34. basketball; gymnastics; swimming