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The Olympic Games

Introduction

**The Olympics games are a sporting event were athletes from all over the world compete in different sporting events. The games take place in different locations every four years. Their achievements are watched from both near and far by hundreds of thousands of spectators. The purpose of the Olympic Movement is to promote the practise of sport all over the world and share the Olympic values. It is in this spirit that the Olympics games are held.**

The first modern Olympics

**The first modern Olympics were held in 1896 in, Paris when the founder, Pierre De Coubertin, decided to bring them back into action. The modern games have now lasted for over a century!**

Everyone can take part

**Not just everyone can take part in the games; it takes a lot of training (for a long time!) and you have, to be sponsored by your country. The games give athletes the opportunity to represent their country and give their best. Both men and women can compete in the Olympics, unlike the ancient Olympics, where only men were accepted to their games. Even people with no legs or arms can compete. Which highlight the main Olympic value, doing your best.**

The sports

**Compared to the ancient Olympics there are a lot more events nowadays than back then, when they only had running races and they were naked! They also, had chariot races (which could get quite brutal. But they also ha d other races and events like this example the wrestling contest which we still have today!!!!**

Prises for the winners

**The original prise for winning the Olympics was a wreath of olive leaves that would sit on the top off the winners’ head!!But now a days we have medals for the winners!! We have a gold one a silver one and a bronze one that they wear around their necks.**

To conclude

**The best part of winning an Olympics is the thought of making your country proud.**