

# THE OLYMPIC GAMES

The Olympic games is where all countries of the world come together to compete against each other. It's also the most popular sporting event in the world.

## When and where was the first modern Olympics held?

The first Modern Olympics were in Athens in 1894 . The Modern Olympics have been going around for over 100 years and are still going strong . The founder of the Olympics was a french man called Pierre de Coubertin . Many people tried to revive the games but failed.

## Who can take part in the games?

Anyone can take part in the games with the right training, dedication and talent but in the ancient Olympics women couldn't take part . More than one person can take part from different countries . Young people can take part, but each sport has its own lower age limit.

## What sports?

There have been a few sports that have been added to the games since the ancient Olympics , including swimming , basketball and boxing.

## DID YOU KNOW ?

Some people believe that the Olympic games were in honour of Herakles.

## Prizes?

In the ancient Olympics they would not give gold , silver and bronze medals they would make a statue of the winner and give them a wreath.

Sadly, in 2020 the Olympic games were postponed due to covid