

Olympics 2012

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April 2012

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WHAT?

The Olympic Games start soon!
This year, the Olympics are in London.
The Games are every 4 years.
More than 200 Nations will be competing.

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The Olympic Games started 3000 years ago
at Olympia in Ancient Greece.
They included athletics, boxing, wrestling and chariot racing.
The Olympic Torch will be lit in Greece
and will come to the UK for the Games.

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The Olympic Torch makes us think about
peace, unity and friendship.
The torch will be carried by amazing people.
They have been chosen because they are so special.
They will travel around the United Kingdom.

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They will take the torch to the opening ceremony.
You can see who is carrying the torch
and a map of the route where you live:
www.london2012.com/olympic-torch-relay
Make sure you see the torch near you!

<http://www.virginlondonmarathon.com>

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The opening ceremony is on Friday 27th July.
It marks the start of the Games.
There will be music, song, dance and theatre.
The athletes will parade the stadium, nation by nation.
The Queen will open the Games.

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The Olympic Flag will be hoisted into the air.
The flag is white with 5 Olympic rings:
blue, yellow, black, green, red.
The Olympic Torch is used to light the Olympic Cauldron.
The Olympic Flame will burn until the closing ceremony.

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Athletes from all around the world will compete.
There are over 26 sports:
From archery and athletics to weightlifting and wrestling.
The athletes have been training for years.
Competing at the Olympics is a dream come true.

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Athletes will all be hoping for a medal:
first place gets a gold medal,
second place is silver and
third place is bronze.
But taking part is more important than winning!

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The closing ceremony will take place on the 12th August.
The athletes will march together as 'One Nation'.
The Olympic flag will be passed onto Brazil.
The 2016 Olympics will be in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
The Olympic Flame is extinguished.

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People in the News

WHO?

Jessica Ennis

Jessica Ennis is a heptathlete.
She will do the hurdles, shot-put, javelin,
high jump, long jump, and run.
She is 26 and from Sheffield.

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Places in the News

WHERE?

London

London is the Capital of the United Kingdom.
Millions of people will come to watch the Games.
They will also see Buckingham Palace,
the Tower of London and Big Ben.

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Recipe Page

120g butter at room temperature
60g caster sugar
130g plain flour
40g cornflour

<http://www.jessicaennis.net>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/London>

1. Preheat the oven to 150C.
2. Beat the butter and sugar together.
3. Add the flour and cornflour to make a soft dough.
4. Roll out the dough 1cm thick.
5. Use a round cutter to cut out medals.
6. Place on a lined baking tray.
7. Put the tray in the fridge for 15 minutes.
8. Bake for 25 - 30 minutes.
9. Allow to cool.

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Joke Page

Knock, Knock
Who's There?
Isabelle
Isabelle Who?
Isabelle necessary on a bike?
(is a bell)

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Game Page

Circle the pictures about Olympics 2012

Titanic
Olympics
Wimbledon
Star Wars
flag
food
car
aeroplane
gameboy
flower
medal
athlete
run
jump
fly
ski

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Review Page

WHERE are the Games being held this year?

- a. London
- b. Rio
- c. Sydney

HOW often are the Olympic Games?

- a. every year
- b. every 4 years
- c. every 40 years

HOW many rings are on the Olympic Flag?

- a. 5
- b. 15
- c. 50

WHAT medal do you get for winning?

- a. bronze
- b. silver
- c. gold

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Puzzle Page

athlete
torch
olympics
javelin
shotput
marathon
jighjump
medal

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Sudoku Page

Fill in the grid using the pictures below so that every row, every column and every large box contains the following four items:

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Think Page

WHAT happens at the Opening Ceremony?
HOW will the athletes feel during the Games?
DRAW your favourite Olympic sport.

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Sports Page

WHAT?

London Marathon

The London Marathon is on 22nd April 2012.
It is one of the biggest races in the world.
More than 30 000 people will run 26 miles.
They will raise money for charity.

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Words Page

medal
extinguish
compete
athlete

<http://www.virginlondonmarathon.com>