

## Reading Practice - Elementary

### INSTRUMENTO DE EVALUACIÓN

Lista de Cotejo

### COMPETENCIA

Lee diversos tipos de textos en inglés como lengua extranjera

## THE OLYMPIC GAMES – the good and the not-so-good

The Olympic Games **takes place** every four years and usually there is something special that people never forget. Here are some of those moments from the past – some good, some not so good.

### 1908 London – the marathon

At the end of the marathon, the man who was winning – Dorando Pietri, from Italy – was very tired and fell down four times. People picked him up and he **crossed** the line – so of course he didn't win the **gold medal** because people helped him. But he became very famous.

### 1960 Rome – a winner with no shoes

The winner of the marathon in Rome was Abebe Bikila from Ethiopia. A lot of other runners (and some of the **spectators** – the people in the stadium) laughed when they first saw him – he had no shoes. They weren't laughing at the end when Bikila won the gold medal. (He won in 1964 in Tokyo too – but wearing shoes.)

### 1968 Mexico – a big jump

Mexico City is very high and the air is thin – which was a good thing for some athletes, not so good for others. One special moment was the long jump – Bob Beamon of the USA jumped 8.9 metres. Beamon's jump was the World Record for 23 years.

### 1996 Atlanta – a bomb

During the 1996 Olympic Games, something very sad happened. A bomb exploded in a park near the Olympic stadium. One person was killed, and 111 people were taken to hospital.

### 2000 Sydney – the Green Games

The Sydney Olympic Games were called 'The Green Games' because all the buildings (the stadium, the houses for the athletes, etc.) were built to be as friendly as possible to the environment. Many people thought these Olympic Games were the best ever.

### 2004 Athens – another marathon story

In the men's marathon, after about 35 kilometres, Brazilian Vanderlei de Lima was running very fast. He was first, and the second runner was 40 seconds behind him. But then an Irishman ran out from the crowd and pushed him. Other people in the crowd stopped the Irishman. Then de Lima started to run again. He was smiling when he finished the marathon third – he won the **bronze** medal.

### 2012 London – a bottle-thrower

It was the final of the men's 100 metres. All the athletes were ready to start the **race**. Suddenly a man in the crowd threw a plastic bottle at the athletes. But they were lucky. The bottle didn't hit any of them. The race started. A Dutch woman was sitting next to the man. She **grabbed** him so he couldn't run away. The woman, Edith Bosch, was a bronze-medal winner in judo at the Games.

Look and choose.



Mexico 1968

London 1908

Athens 2004

# Read and choose.

1 Who had help to finish the race?

a. Dorando Pietri

b. Abebe Bikila

c. Vanderlei de Lima

2 Who raced barefoot?

a. Edith Bosch

b. Dorando Pietri

c. Abebe Bikila

3 Who was stopped in the middle of his race?

a. Bob Beamon

b. Edith Bosch

c. Vanderlei de Lima

4 Who caught a criminal?

a. Abebe Bikila

b. Edith Bosch

c. Dorando Pietri

5 Who won gold in two different Olympics?

a. Abebe Bikila

b. Bob Beamon

c. Edith Bosch

6 Who came 3rd in an event at the London Olympics?

a. Dorando Pietri

b. Bob Beamon

c. Edith Bosch

7 Who finished first but didn't get a medal?

a. Abebe Bikila

b. Dorando Pietri

c. Vanderlei de Lima

8 Who broke an Olympic record?

a. Bob Beamon

b. Edith Bosch

c. Abebe Bikila

9 Who won a marathon bronze medal?

a. Bob Beamon

b. Vanderlei de Lima

c. Edith Bosch