

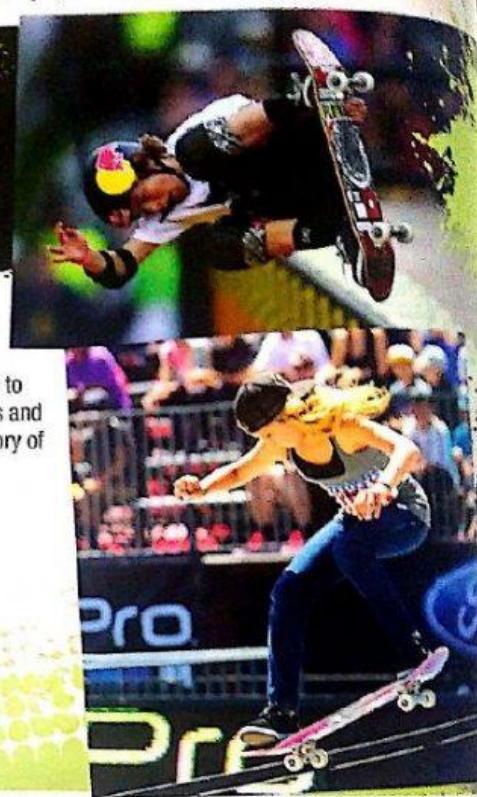
THINK! What sports are difficult and dangerous? Are these sports popular in your country?

X GAMES SUPERSTARS

Sports in the X Games are always exciting and often dangerous. The games started in 1995 when 500,000 fans travelled to Newport in the USA and watched sports like BMX, skateboarding and motocross.

Our programme today looks at two skateboarders who decided to learn to skateboard when they were very young. They competed in the X Games and became big stars – Tom Schaar, the youngest gold medallist in the history of the games, and Alana Smith, the youngest silver medallist.

- 1 She / He learned to skate when she / he was a four. **a** seven. **c** nine.
- 2 She / He first went to the X Games in a Barcelona. **b** Miami. **c** Shanghai.
- 3 She / He did a trick called a 900. **a** 1080. **c** 540 McTwist.
- 4 She / He won an X Games medal when she / he was a ten. **b** twelve. **c** fourteen.



1 **2.15** Check the meaning of verbs 1–10. Then read the text and sentences 1–4. Match verbs 1–10 with the past simple forms in blue. Listen and check.

1 learn	6 become
2 start	7 watch
3 go	8 do
4 win	9 compete (in)
5 travel	10 decide

2 **2.16** Listen to information about Alana Smith and Tom Schaar. From column A, choose who is talking. From column B, choose where they are.

A	B
1 parents talking	4 at school
2 sports fans talking	5 at the X Games Asia
3 Alana and Tom talking	6 on a TV programme

3 **2.16** Listen again and look at sentences 1–4 in the text. Choose the correct answers for Alana and then for Tom.

4 **USE IT!** Complete the questions with the correct form of the verbs in the box. Then ask and answer with a partner.

do learn become win travel compete

- 1 What sports do you want to _____?
- 2 Where do you want to _____?
- 3 Do you want to _____ a star? Why / Why not?
- 4 Do you prefer _____ in competitions? Why?
- 5 Can you _____ any dangerous sports?

5 Sport

Escaneado con CamScanner