

# Road Tennis

## The National Sport of Barbados



Do you like to play Cricket, Football or Netball; have you ever played Road Tennis?

Road Tennis is Barbados' national sport and it is the only sport to be invented in Barbados which is played all over the world.



The game was invented in the 1930's.

It can be played on a small court or on the road(street).



When the game first started, a tennis ball was used, but over time the ball was 'skinned' with the felt taken off to leave just the inside. Similarly, rackets are wooden - resembling large table tennis paddles without the rubber



# Questions

Select the correct answer to complete the sentence.

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|---|----------|---------|
| 1. Road Tennis was invented in _____ .      | Barbados | England |
| 2. It was invented in the _____ .           | 1960s    | 1930s   |
| 3. Road Tennis can be played on the _____ . | road     | table   |
| 4. It is the _____ sport of Barbados.       | National | only    |

Select **True** or **False** to complete:-

5. Road Tennis is only played in Barbados. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Road Tennis is **NOT** Barbados National sport. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Road Tennis was always played with a skinned ball. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Road Tennis Rackets have nets. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Road Tennis can be played by persons of all ages \_\_\_\_\_

Use the words from the passage to complete:-

**Invented**   **Road Tennis**   **Barbados**   **1930s**

In \_\_\_\_\_, the main sport played by barbadians is  
\_\_\_\_\_. This sport was \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Select the three things needed to play your game of Road Tennis

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