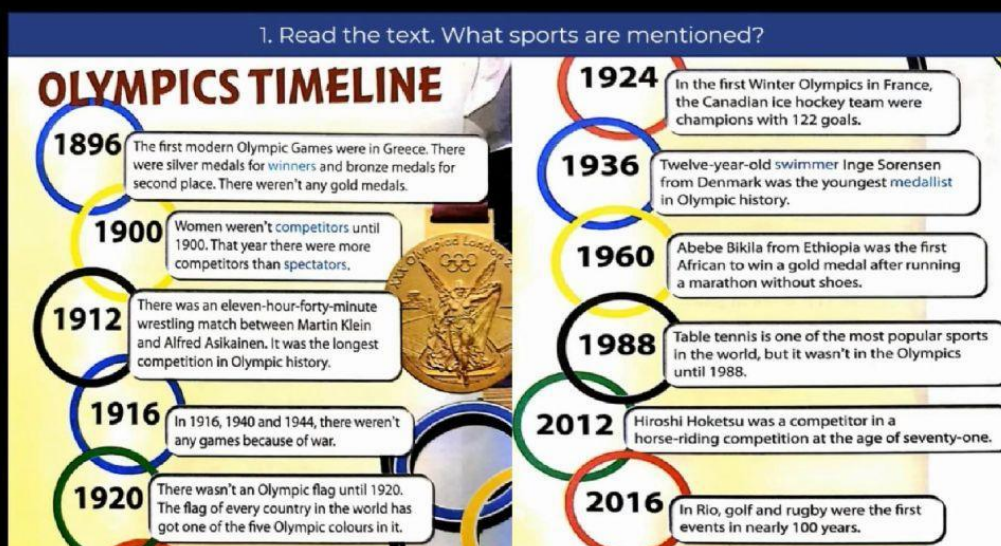


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The History of Olympics

- 1 Click the words in the passage below which related to **sport events** in the Olympics history . 

1. Read the text. What sports are mentioned?

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1896 The first modern Olympic Games were in Greece. There were silver medals for winners and bronze medals for second place. There weren't any gold medals.

1900 Women weren't competitors until 1900. That year there were more competitors than spectators.

1912 There was an eleven-hour-forty-minute wrestling match between Martin Klein and Alfred Asikainen. It was the longest competition in Olympic history.

1916 In 1916, 1940 and 1944, there weren't any games because of war.

1920 There wasn't an Olympic flag until 1920. The flag of every country in the world has got one of the five Olympic colours in it.

1924 In the first Winter Olympics in France, the Canadian ice hockey team were champions with 122 goals.

1936 Twelve-year-old swimmer Inge Sorensen from Denmark was the youngest medallist in Olympic history.

1960 Abebe Bikila from Ethiopia was the first African to win a gold medal after running a marathon without shoes.

1988 Table tennis is one of the most popular sports in the world, but it wasn't in the Olympics until 1988.

2012 Hiroshi Hoketsu was a competitor in a horse-riding competition at the age of seventy-one.

2016 In Rio, golf and rugby were the first events in nearly 100 years.

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Read and listen to the text again and choose true or false.



1. There were gold medals in the first Olympic Games.
- 2 There weren't any games in 1916.
- 3 Inge Sorensen was a swimmer from Ethiopia.
- 4 Abebe Bikila was a marathon runner.
- 5 Golf and rugby were Olympic sports for the first time in 2012.

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