



# 8 SPORTS

## 1. Read

My name is Giancarlo and I am 14 years old. I'm very **fond of** sports. But my favorite sport is basketball. I play basketball at school, at home, in the park, everywhere!

I have been playing basketball since I was eight and have always wanted to be a **professional** basketball player. I am a big fan of Michael Jordan, in fact, he is my favorite player.

I'm in the school team and we train three days a week, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. We have matches every Sunday. From time to time, we have **tournaments** with other schools and it is quite exciting. In my free time, I like reading and playing computer games. I dream of one day having a successful career as a professional basketball player!

### 2. Find and underline the synonyms of the words in bold.

- a. I'm **very fond of** sports.  
- in love with      - hate
- b. I want to be a **professional** player.  
- amateur      - experienced
- c. We have **tournaments** with other schools.  
-competitions      - duets

### 3. Say if it's true or false. Write T for True and F for false.

- A. Giancarlo likes sports.
- B. His favorite sport is football.
- C. Giancarlo's favorite player is Cristiano Ronaldo.
- D. He has tournaments on Sundays.
- E. Giancarlo likes playing computer games.
- F. His dream is to become an actor.



### 4. Color the correct answer.

A. How old is Giancarlo?

He's 14 years old.

He's 8 years old.

B. What is Giancarlo's favorite sport?

Baseball

Basketball

C. How old was he when he started playing basketball?

14

8

D. What does he do in his free time?

He likes reading.

He likes cooking.

E. What is Giancarlo's ambition?

To become a professional basketball player

To become a professional actor.