Sports of the Summer Olympic Games Matching

Instructions:
Read the text below. Match the answers from column B to the correct statement in Column A.
The answers can be used once, several or no times.





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As the time of the Summer Olympic Games approaches, the world is once again becoming interested in the sports of this international event. Bicycle riding is called cycling and it consists of the competitors racing along a course to reach the finish line. The fastest cyclist wins. There are not very many contact sports in the Olympic games. Boxing is probably the sport where the opponents have the most contact. Boxers wear specially designed gloves and punch each other until one of the competitors falls to the ground and stays down. Diving is one of the more elegant sports. Divers dive off of a diving board into the water. They should keep good form and sometimes dives should include tricks. Baseball and basketball are two popular sports in the United States. Baseball uses a small hard ball. A pitcher throws the ball and the batter hits it with a bat and runs to the bases. When the player reaches home base, he gets a point. In basketball , a court is used as a playing field. Typically the game is played inside and the players try to throw the ball through a hoop. In the cities where the Olympic games are held, pools must always be part of the structures used. Swimming is one of the most watched sports of the Olympics. The athletes swim back in forth in their lanes and the swimmer with the fastest time is the winner.

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Column A		**Column B**
Athletes wear special gloves and hit each other	( )	A. Swimming
Competitors use lanes in this sport	( )	B. Baseball
A contact sport	( )	C. Diving
Speed is important to reach the finish line	( )	D. Boxing
This is a beautiful sport	( )	E. Basketball
The object of this sport is to hit the ball and make it to home	( )	F. Cycling

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