

sports collocations (*play, do, go*)

1 Name the sport or activity for each description.

- 1 You hit a white ball on a table with a long, thin piece of wood and try to hit balls of other colours.
- 2 You put on special shoes and move along ice.
- 3 You run 100 or 800 metres, or do a long jump.
- 4 You play in a team. You have to hit a ball and then run around a field.
- 5 You throw a big, heavy ball and try to hit ten other items with it.
- 6 You play in a team and throw a ball which looks like a large egg.
- 7 You swim with oxygen under the sea.
- 8 You play in a team of six. You hit a ball with your hands over a high net.

2A Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

- 1 Shall we _____ bowling tonight?
a do b go c play
- 2 I've never _____ table tennis before.
a done b been c played
- 3 My neighbour _____ t'ai chi in the garden most mornings.
a does b goes c plays
- 4 I _____ hockey for my school's team.
a did b went c played
- 5 My wife _____ judo, but I've never tried it.
a does b goes c plays
- 6 Would you like to _____ snowboarding or skiing next winter?
a do b go c play

B Complete the article with *doing, going* or *playing* and a sport in the box.

bowling cricket exercise karate
running skiing windsurfing

Sport isn't just about your body. It's about your mind, too. For example, you can:

- feel part of a team and make new friends by ¹_____ or basketball.
- learn about different world cultures by ²_____, judo or t'ai chi.
- enjoy nature by ³_____ with an athletics club across fields and through woods.
- experience ocean life by ⁴_____ or sailing.
- see amazing mountain views in winter by ⁵_____.
- have fun by ⁶_____ or playing snooker with friends.

So, you see, sport isn't just about ⁷_____. It's so much more than that.