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SPORTS AND GAMES



ABOUT YOU

Do you like basketball, football or tennis?
Which sport do you prefer?
Do you play any sports?



VOCABULARY

AND

READING

Sports

1 Match the pictures to the words. Then listen, check and repeat.

play baseball play badminton go snowboarding
do athletics play hockey go skating go sailing
play rugby play table tennis do gymnastics
go cycling play volleyball go surfing



Listen and check. Then repeat.

			
			
			



PRONUNCIATION

/eɪ/ and /aɪ/

3 Put the words into the correct column.

baseball	bike	fly	play
riding	skating		

/eɪ/ sailing

/aɪ/ cycling



Listen and check. Then repeat.



4 Read Sophie's and Ben's blogs. Who does their sport every week? Who can't do their sport where they live?

TEENBLOG: SPORT

Post about you and your sport here.

It's fun!

My sport is ... rugby! That's me in the photo. People think that rugby is for boys, but that's not true. More than 18,000 women and girls play rugby in England. My team always plays a match on Saturday or Sunday, and I usually go to practice games three times a week. It's hard work, but it's never boring! I'm 14 and I play for the U15s. That's the team for players under the age of 15. When I'm older, I want to go to the rugby summer camp at Loughborough University. My favourite player, Fran Matthews, went there and now she plays for the England national rugby team.

Posted by **Sophie White**



Goofy-foot or regular?

I love the snow and the mountains. I feel at home there. I live in a city and there's no snow here, but in the holidays, I always go to the mountains with my family. I sometimes go snowboarding with Mum, but I often go with my little sister and other young people. Mum usually skis with my dad, and my sister and I like spending more time in the snow than they do. It's usually quiet. When we're in the mountains, I go snowboarding every day and I'm getting really good. I often think about the future – I want to be a famous snowboarder one day, like Max Parrot. Oh, and I'm *goofy-foot* – that means I put my right foot at the front of the board.

Posted by **Ben James**



5 Read about Sophie and Ben again and answer the questions.

1 How many women and girls do Sophie's sport?

4 Where does Ben prefer to be?

2 What does Sophie do at the weekend?

5 Why does Ben go snowboarding every day?

3 What does Sophie want to do at Loughborough University?

6 Ben says he's 'goofy-foot'. What does 'goofy-foot' mean?

2 Complete the table with the sports in Exercise 1.

athletics sailing	badminton skating	baseball snowboarding	cycling surfing	gymnastics table tennis	hockey volleyball	rugby
play			go		do	

3 Choose the correct verbs to complete the sentences.

- 0 My sister plays / goes volleyball at the weekend.
- 1 My friends John and Toby *play* / *go* sailing in the summer.
- 2 We *go* / *do* athletics in the evening.
- 3 My brother *plays* / *goes* hockey on Sundays.
- 4 I don't *play* / *go* table tennis with my friends.
- 5 Do you *play* / *go* snowboarding alone?