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The Olympic Games

> The Olympic Games originated at Olympia, in Greece, nearly 3,000 years ago. The Festival lasted five days and was in honour of Zeus, the king of the Greek gods. The Games were timed to take place between harvesting grain, which finished in early August and gathering grapes and olives, which began in the middle of September.

Underline the title which best expresses the main idea for the whole paragraph.

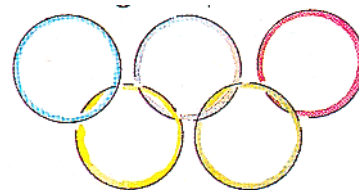Farming in Ancient Greece

The King of the Gods

The Origin of the Olympic Games

> Athletics took place in the stadium on the second day of the Festival. One of these events was the Pentathlon, which consisted of five events. These were running, wrestling, throwing the discus, throwing the javelin and long jump. Greek long jumpers carried weights in their hands which they threw away on landing.

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Athletic Events on the Second Day of the Festival

How to Make a Long Jump

Answer these questions in sentences.

Where did the Olympic Games originate?

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Why did the Games take place between early August and the middle of September?
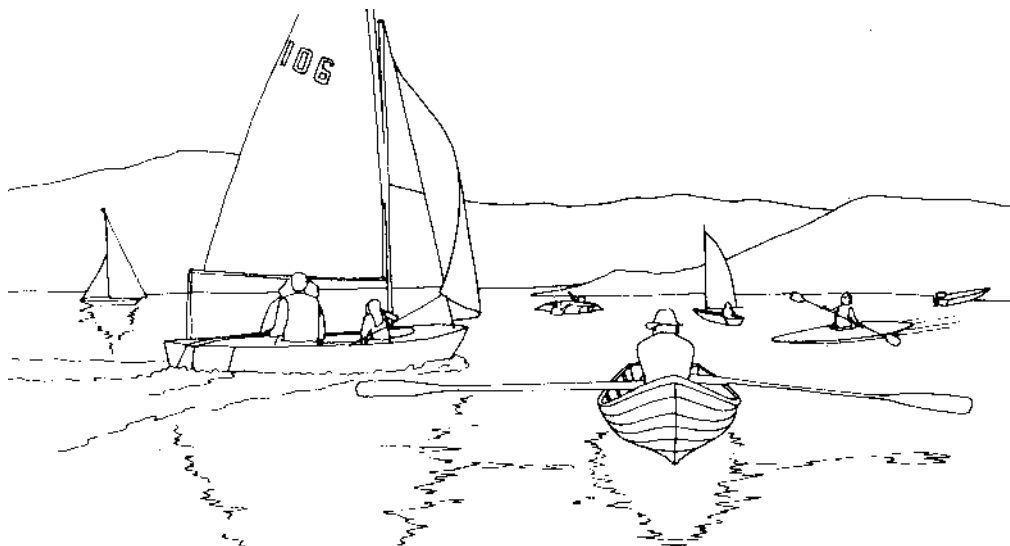
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What did the Pentathlon consist of?

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Sailing

Read the following text very carefully.

There is a lake near our town and it is very popular with both adults and children. Many boys and girls have their own sailing boats, which are called "Cadets". The grown-ups have many types of boats, but the most popular are the "Herons" and the "Enterprises". The Sailing Club is at the south end of the lake and at the opposite end is a boathouse where visitors can hire various craft-sailing boats, rowing boats and canoes. Towards the middle of the lake on one side there is a part which is roped off. This is used for swimming. Sometimes a sailing boat capsizes, and as the water is not very deep this can provide much merriment for the onlookers. There are many reasons why a boat may capsize. Usually it is caused by a violent gust of wind, but it may be due to overloading, a faulty boat, or simply lack of skill in handling the craft.

Underline the right answers.

Kinds of boats on the lake are (Sailing boats, steamers, rowing boats, canoes, cruisers)

At the south end of the lake, there is (The Sailing Club, the boathouse, the swimming area)

The most popular sailing boats used by adults are (Eagles, Herons, Mustangs, Fireflies, Enterprises, Cadets)

The boats capsizes because (There are too many boats, lack of skill, overloading, lack of paint, wind, rain, faulty boats)

Hobbits

Read the following text very carefully.

What is a hobbit? I suppose hobbits need some description now a days since they have become rare and shy to the Big People, as they call us. They are (or were) a little people, about half our height, and smaller than the bearded Dwarfs. Hobbits have no beards. There is little or no magic about them, except the ordinary everyday sort which helps them to disappear quietly and quickly when large stupid folk like you and me come blundering along, making a noise like elephants which they can hear a mile off. They are inclined to be fat in the stomach; they dress in bright colours (chiefly green and yellow); wear no shoes because their feet grow natural leather soles, and thick warm brown hair like the stuff on their heads (which is curly); have long brown fingers, good natured faces and laugh deep laughs (especially after dinner which they have twice a day when they can get it).

From *The hobbit* by J. R. R. Tolkien

Underline the right answers.

Hobbits can (Make themselves smaller, disappear quickly and quietly, make magic shoes).

Hobbits think (elephants, dwarfs, people) make a lot of noise.

They don't need shoes because (their feet have leathery soles, they don't go out, the hair on their feet keeps them warm, they are too fat)

Hobbits have (brown hair, bald heads, curly hair, beards, long fingers, pleasant faces)

The skin of a hobbit is (white, pink, black, brown, I don't know)

Do hobbits enjoy their food? (Yes, no, I don't know)