

Olympics Conversation Questions

Warm-up Task:

In teams, name as many Olympic sports as you can in three minutes. Compare your results.

Discussion Questions:

1. Which Olympic Games event would you most like to see?
2. Which country do you guess will win the most gold medals at the next Olympic Games? Why is that country good at sports?
3. Would you like to watch an Olympic Games opening or closing ceremony? Why or why not?
4. Are you worried about terrorism affecting the Olympics?
5. Which do you enjoy more - the Summer or Winter Olympics? Why?
6. If you could magically gain the ability to do any sport well, which would you choose and why?
7. Are you interested in visiting the host country of the next Olympics? Why or why not?
8. Does hosting the Olympics help a country's image? Which countries have benefited from hosting the Olympics?
9. It costs a lot of money to host the Olympic Games. Is hosting the Olympics a good way to spend a country's money?
10. Does your country have any famous Olympians? What do you remember about their achievements?
11. Which Olympians from other countries do you know? Why are they so famous?
12. What is the spirit of the Olympics? Is it about winning? Or something else?
13. The use of performance enhancing drugs by athletes is a serious issue. What do you think about it?
14. Which Olympic sport is the most glamorous? Why does it receive a lot of attention?
15. Which country would you like to host future Winter or Summer Olympics?
16. Every Olympics, some new sports are added to the games (and others are dropped). What sport would you like to see added to the Olympics?
17. Olympic athletes sacrifice a lot to reach the highest levels of their sports. Would you encourage your children to pursue a sporting career and aim for the Olympic Games?

