The Olympic Games

Citius, Altius, Fortius

(faster, higher, stronger)





In Greek mythology Zeus was ruler of both the Olympian gods and the human race.

Ancient Greeks held the Olympian Games every four years to celebrate and honor Zeus, the protector and ruler of mortals and the Olympian family of gods.



Ancient Olympic Games



The first Olympic Games were held in Greece in Olympia. First it was mentioned in 776 B.C. According to the legend, it was Heracles who first called the Games "Olympic" and established the custom of holding them every four years.



Modern Olympic Games



Pierre de Coubertin

In the the 19 century Pierre de Coubertin gave the idea to held the **Olympic Games again.** To show the link with the past the games were organized in Greece, in the Panathenaic stadium in Athens, in 1896.



Olympic Sports

- The Olympic sports comprise all the sports contested in the Summer and Winter Olympic Games.
- The Summer Olympics include 26 sports with 36 disciplines and about 300 events.
- The Winter Olympics include 7 sports with 15 disciplines and about 80 events.



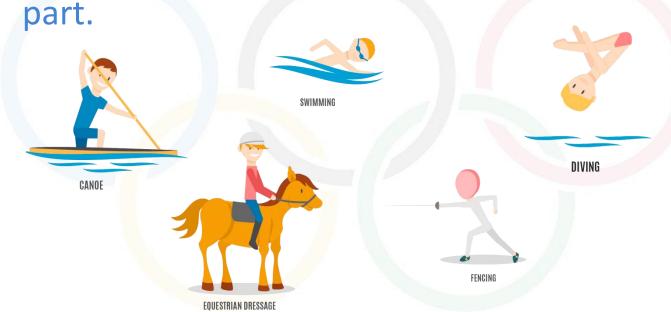


Winter Olympics

- The Winter Olympic Games were first held as a separate competition in 1924 at Chamonix-Mont-Blanc, France.
- From that time until 1992, they took place the same year as the Summer Games.

The Summer Games

The Summer Games are held during the summer season of the host country. They last for 16 days. Today, there are more than 270 events during the games. Over 15,000 athletes from 190 nations take





The Paralympic Games



The source of the term "Paralympic" is unclear. Probably it derives from the Greek preposition $\pi\alpha\rho\dot{\alpha}$, pará, para ("beside" or "alongside") and thus refers to a competition held in parallel with the Olympic Games. Or maybe it's connected with the word "paraplegic".



The symbol of the Paralympic Games is composed of three "agitos", coloured red, blue, and green, encircling a single point, on a white field.



Olympic Motto

• Quicker, higher, stronger





Olympic Fire

The Olympic flame is a symbol of spirit, knowledge and life. It is delivered from Olympia by a relay race to the site of games by the best sportsmen of the world. It burns from the opening ceremony until the end of the games.





The Flag

The Olympic flag was presented on the summer Olympic Games in Antwerp in 1920. The Olympic flag is raised during the opening ceremony.







VANCOUVER 2010



PARIS 2024







ATHENS 2004



SALT LAKE CITY 2002

Sydney 2000 **SALT LAKE 2002**







SYDNEY 2000

LILLEHAMMER 1994 BARCELONA 1992 ALBERTVILLE 1992

CALGARY 1988

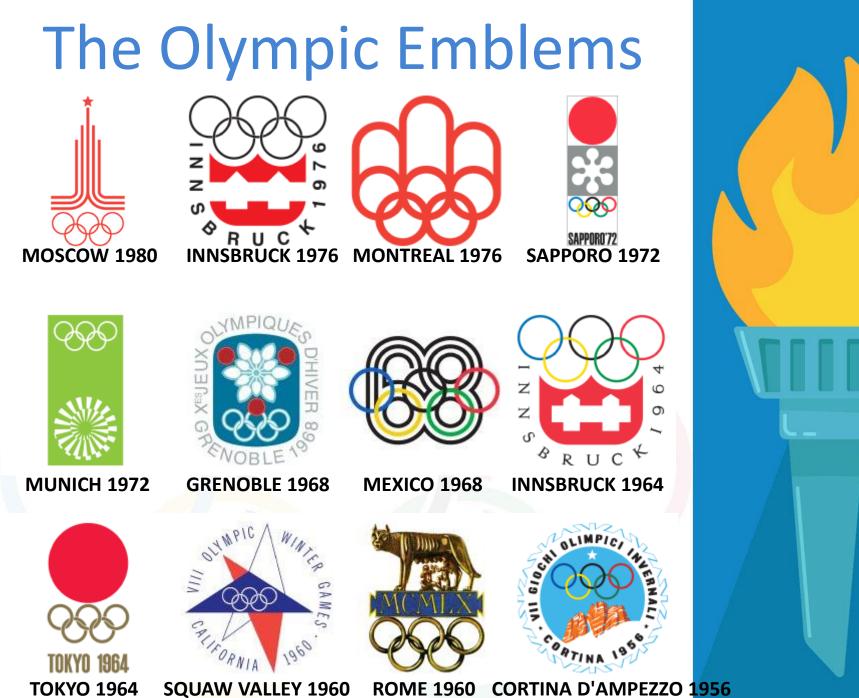












ROME 1960 CORTINA D'AMPEZZO 1956



LOS

ANGELES 1932



OSLO 1952 STOCKHOLM 1956



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XI. OLYMPIADE

BERLIN 1936

BERLIN 1936









AMSTERDAM 1928



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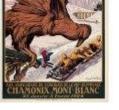
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LAKE PLACID 1932





CHAMONIX 1924





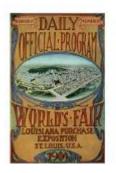


PARIS 1924

ANTWERP 1920

STOCKHOLM 1912





ST LOUIS 1904



PARIS 1900



ATHENS 1896

The Olympic Mascots







TOKYO 2020

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The Olympic Mascots



MUNICH 1972

GRENOBLE 1968

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