

Olympic Games

Oh no, we can't give this the children - it has no full stops or capital letters. Can you fix it?

the Olympic games were first held in 776 bc in honour of zeus they took place every four years in the city of olympia in southern Greece the games were a major religious festival

the festival lasted for 5 days in summer a month-long sacred truce, during which war between city-states stopped this allowed 20 000 priests, competitors, and spectators to travel from all over Greece to the games most visitors slept in tents, but during later times important guests stayed in a huge building called the leonidaion a large marble temple it contained a gold-and-ivy statue of zeus it was known as one of the seven wonders of the ancient world the Olympics started with prayers and religious ceremonies, then the games themselves began competitions including boxing, horse racing, and a pentathlon of 5 events: a 200-yard (180 metre) sprint race, javelin and discus throwing, long jumping and wrestling in another wrestling competition the fighters were allowed to do anything apart from biting an opponent or gouging out his eyes the judge carried a stick and hit anybody who cheated there were also competitions in public speaking and poetry

Look up these words in a dictionary then write them in YOUR OWN sentences showing that you know their meaning. Make your sentences interesting by using verbs and adjectives.

competitor
gouge
sacred