

SPORT IN AUSTRALIA

sun	солнце
sea	море
agree	соглашаться
play	играть
talk	разговаривать
swimming	плавание
population	население
rollerblading.	катание на роликах
cycling	велоспорт
activity	деятельность

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HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT AUSTRALIA? ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

1. Can you name any Australian cities?
2. Can you name any famous Australian sports people? What sport do they do?

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MATCH THE PHOTOS WITH THE SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE BOX.

Cricket	Hockey	Horse ridding	Martial arts
Netball	Rugby	Australian rules football	



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READ THE TEXT AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

1. What do Australians think of sport?
2. Why is swimming popular?
3. Which three sports are only popular with boys?
4. Which three sports are only popular with girls?

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**LISTEN TO THE INFORMATION ABOUT SWIMMER, IAN THORPE.
WHICH OLYMPIC GAMES ARE HIS MEDALS FROM?**

- a) 2000 b) 2004 c) 2000 and 2004

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LISTEN AGAIN. ARE THE SENTENCES TRUE OR FALSE?

1. Ian Thorpe is from Sydney, Australia.
2. He is very tall but he's got small feet.
3. Ian's sister, Christina, is a tennis player.
4. Ian is Olympic champion and has got two gold medals.
5. Ian holds two world records.
6. Ian is interested in a lot of different sports.
7. Fashion is one of Ian's hobbies.

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CORRECT FALSE SENTENCES IN EXERCISE 5.

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SPEAKING!

**WORK IN GROUPS. WHAT SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES ARE POPULAR
IN YOUR COUNTRY? AGREE ON A 'TOP FIVE' LIST.**

Sun, sea and sport



Australians love sport. They play it, they talk about it and they watch it on TV. Australian weather is perfect for sport, and there are thousands of great beaches, so swimming is very popular. The population of Australia is only about 20 million, but many of the best sportsmen and sportswomen in the world come from Australia.

Young people in Australia are very active. More than 60% of children go to sports clubs. They also do activities with friends: for example, skateboarding, cycling and rollerblading.

The top five sports for boys are:

Activity	Participation (%)
Football	22.2
Swimming	15.7
Australian Rules football	13.6
Tennis	9.5
Cricket	9

Other popular sports for boys are basketball, rugby, martial arts, athletics and hockey.

The top five sports for girls are :

Activity	Participation (%)
netball	18.1
Swimming	17.5
basketball	7.8
Tennis	6.9
gymnastics	5.4

Other popular sports for girls are football, athletics, martial arts, hockey and horse riding.