

Reading (the first term)

A Letter About Sports in England

Dear Lena,

I greatly enjoyed your letter in which you told me about sports in your town. I shall try to tell you now about the games we play in England.

First of all, I must tell you that football is played in England in winter, and not in summer. Football is the most popular game in England, because England is the home of football. Schools and towns have football teams, and of course the English team is well known in the world.

We do not play ice hockey much in England, because the winter is not very cold. But we play hockey on grass.

There are men's teams and women's, and many schools have teams too. Other games which we play in England are tennis, basket-ball and volleyball.

We have gymnastics every week in our school gymnasium. We run and jump and play basket-ball, volley-ball and other games. In summer we have gymnastics in the playground.

Well, I shall end my letter for today.

I wish you all the best and hope to receive another letter from you soon.

Your English friend,

Mary Smith

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Variant I

I. Are the sentences true or false.

1. In her letter Mary tells about England.
2. In England they play football in summer.
3. They play hockey on grass.
4. In summer the pupils have gymnastics in the playground.

II. Choose the correct answer.

1. Is England the home of football?
a) No, it isn't b) Yes, it is c) Yes, it isn't.
2. Are the English football teams very famous in the world?
a) No, they are b) Yes, they are c) No, they aren't
3. Why don't they play ice hockey much in winter?
a) because it's cold b) because it isn't very cold there c) they don't like it
4. How often do the pupils have gymnastics?
a) every day b) every week c) every month

III. Match two parts of the sentences.

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| 1. England is... | a) football teams | |
| 2 2 2. Schools have... | b) teams too. | |
| 3. There are women's... | c) tennis and basketball. | atball. |
| 4. Other games are... | d) the home of football. | tball. |

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Variant II

I. Are the sentences true or false.

1. England is the home of football.
2. The English football teams aren't well known in the world.
3. They don't play ice hockey much in England.
4. The pupils have gymnastics every week.

II. Choose the correct answer.

1. What does Mary tell about in her letter?
a) England b) London c) sports in her country
2. Do they in England play football in summer?
a) Yes, they do b) No, they do c) No, they don't
3. Do the English play hockey on grass?
a) No, they don't b) Yes, they do c) Yes, they are
4. When do they play football in England?
a) in spring b) in summer c) in winter

III. Match two parts of the sentences.

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| 1. In England they play hockey... | a) to her friend. |
| 2. Mary writes a letter... | b) is not very cold. |
| 3. Other games are... | c) on grass. |
| 4. In England the winter... | d) volleyball and basketball. |