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## **Level 0**

# **Video games should be in Olympics**

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**Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1412/141227-e-sports-0.html>

A games designer said video games should be in the Olympics.

Rob Pardo said video games (also called e-sports) would make the Olympics more modern. Millions of people love competitive gaming. Mr Pardo said professional gamers have "lightning quick" skills. They make hundreds of quick decisions in every game.

It is difficult to get e-sports into the Olympics because it uses technology. Pardo says it is a sport because it needs effort and skill. PC Magazine said there could be an international competition just for e-sports. Gaming would be the main event. In the Olympics, gaming would be just one of many sports.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-30597623>  
<http://www.pcgamer.com/esports-should-be-an-olympic-event-wow-creator/>  
<http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2474193,00.asp>

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|--|--------------------|
| 1. A games                             | a. sports          |
| 2. video games should be in            | b. designer        |
| 3. also called e-                      | c. gamers          |
| 4. make the Olympics more              | d. the Olympics    |
| 5. Millions of people love competitive | e. quick decisions |
| 6. professional                        | f. modern          |
| 7. lightning                           | g. gaming          |
| 8. They make hundreds of               | h. quick skills    |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. It is             | a. competition    |
| 2. get e-sports into | b. is a sport     |
| 3. it uses           | c. of many sports |
| 4. Pardo says it     | d. difficult      |
| 5. it needs effort   | e. the main event |
| 6. an international  | f. the Olympics   |
| 7. Gaming would be   | g. and skill      |
| 8. just one          | h. technology     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A (1) \_\_\_\_\_ video games should be in the Olympics. Rob Pardo said video games (2) \_\_\_\_\_) would make the (3) \_\_\_\_\_. Millions of people love competitive gaming. Mr Pardo said (4) \_\_\_\_\_ have "lightning quick" skills. They make hundreds (5) \_\_\_\_\_ in every game.

It is difficult (6) \_\_\_\_\_ into the Olympics because it uses technology. Pardo says it is a sport (7) \_\_\_\_\_ effort and skill. PC Magazine said (8) \_\_\_\_\_ international competition just for e-sports. Gaming (9) \_\_\_\_\_ event. In the Olympics, gaming would be (10) \_\_\_\_\_ sports.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

# WRITING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1412/141227-e-sports-0.html>

Write about **gaming** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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