

## Guess the sport modals of deduction practice modals of deduction/ probability/ possibility and sports vocabulary practice

Choose one of the sports below and give hints about which one you are thinking of without saying its name (or any part of its name). For each hint, your partner will try to make a true statement with one of the guessing phrases below, e.g. "It could be soccer". Continue giving hints and guessing until they feel they are sure enough to say "It must be..." (which means they think there is only one possibility from the list that it could be). Before they say "It must be...", don't say if they have guessed the actual correct sport or not, only say "That's true" if the statement they made has the right level of certainty or uncertainty, or "Actually,..." if there is something that makes that statement impossible.

### Phrases for guessing

- It must be...
- It's almost certainly...
- It's probably...
- It might be/ It may be...
- It could (possibly) be...
- It's almost certainly not...
- It can't be...

### Useful language for describing sports

- indoors/ outdoors
- play in/on a court/ field/ pitch/ pool/ rink/ ring/ table/ stadium
- wear a helmet/ goggles/ a hat/ padding/ shoulder pads/ shin pads/ knee pads/ a face guard/ a tooth guard/ gloves/ a box/ studs/ special shoes
- use a cue/ bat/ ball/ shuttlecock/...
- the ball is big/ hard/ made of...
- can use your head/ foot/ hand/...
- can throw/ catch/ tackle/ walk with the ball/ sit down...
- there is a goal/ hole/ net/ sin bin/ referee...
- you have to be fit/ young/ strong/ male/ skilful/ tall/ intelligent/ fast/ ...
- comes from Asia/ the UK/ the US/...
- popular with boys/ girls/ old people/...
- played in the Olympics/ this country/ schools...
- fast/ violent/ professional/ well known/ expensive/ tiring/ competitive/ dangerous/...
- a martial art/ a contact sport/ a winter sport/ a team sport...
- I have played...
- I always/ often/ sometimes play/ watch...
- often/ sometimes on (cable/ satellite) TV
- somewhere to play this near here/ in this city/ in this country
- can practice in your house/ in a park

**Sports to describe and guess**

Angling/ Fishing  
Archery  
Athletics/ Track and field  
Baseball  
Billiards  
Boxing  
Canoeing/ Kayaking  
Cricket  
Croquet  
Curling  
Darts  
Fencing  
Football (= Soccer)  
Golf  
Greco-Roman wrestling/ Olympic wrestling  
(Field) hockey  
Horse racing  
Ice hockey  
Karate  
Kendo  
Kung fu  
Lacrosse  
Marathon/ Long distance running  
Nordic skiing/ Cross country skiing  
Polo  
Pool  
Rock climbing  
Rowing  
Rugby  
Sailing  
Scuba diving  
Skiing  
Snowboarding  
Softball  
Speed skating  
Squash  
Sumo wrestling  
Surfing  
Table tennis (= Ping pong)  
Triathlon  
Ultimate Frisbee  
Volleyball  
Water polo  
Weightlifting  
Windsurfing

*Without looking above or writing anything, discuss what could go below and in what order:*

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*Discuss where the phrases below the fold could go in the space above (again, without writing anything)*

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- It can't be...
- It could (possibly) be...
- It might be/ It may be...
- It must be...
- It's almost certainly not...
- It's almost certainly...
- It's probably...

*Check your answers with the first page.*