



# History of the Olympic Games

**1. When were the first Ancient Olympic Games held?**

- 676 BC
- 555 BC
- 176 BC
- 776 BC

**2. Which were the first three events that the athletes competed in at the Ancient Olympic Games between 776 and 720 BC?**

- 200 yard, 800 yard and 1600 yard foot race
- 100 yard, 200 yard and 400 yard foot race
- 200 yard, 400 yard foot race and a variable length foot race.
- 400 yard, 800 yard and a variable length foot race

**3. Who was the Greek god honoured by the Ancient Olympic Games?**

- Heracles
- Zeus
- Perseus
- Pelops

**4. The Pankration was an event introduced to the Ancient Olympic Games around 648 BC. It combined which of the following?**

- Boxing and running
- Discus and Boxing
- Running and Jumping
- Boxing and wrestling

**5. Aside from Chariot Racing, which other equestrian event, introduced around 648 BC, was held in the Ancient Olympic Games?**

- Cross country
- Jumping
- Horse racing
- Dressage

**6. Which was put in place by the Greeks before and during all the Ancient Olympic festivals?**

- A public holiday
- A truce
- A ban on drinking
- A ban on Taxes

- 7. What was the great Sanctuary of Zeus, the setting for the Olympic Games, called by the Ancient Greeks?**
- Altis
  - Tumulus
  - Alsos
  - Megaron
- 8. Approximately how many years after Theodosius abolished the Olympic Games in 393 AD because of their pagan influence, did Pierre de Coubertin begin their revival?**
- 2000
  - 1500
  - 1000
  - 500
- 9. In which year were the very first modern Olympic Games held, and where?**
- 1896 Athens
  - 1904 St Louis
  - 1900 Paris
  - 1892 Athens
- 10. In which year was the official Olympic Flag first used at the modern Olympic Games?**
- 1916
  - 1900
  - 1912
  - 192
- 11. The Olympic flame was first lit during which year of the modern era?**
- 1904
  - 1924
  - 1928
  - 1900
- 12. At which Modern Olympic Games did they first use electronic timing devices and a public address system?**
- 1912 Stockholm
  - 1896 Athens
  - 1908 London
  - 1928 Amsterdam
- 13. In which year was the modern Marathon 'standardised' to a length of 42,195 metres?**
- 1908
  - 1928
  - 1916
  - 1924

- 14. In 1932, the second of the modern Olympic Games to be held in the USA were in Los Angeles, with which of the following not being introduced for the first time?**
- Televising of the games
  - Victory platform
  - Phot-finish camera
  - Olympic Village
- 15. In which year of the Modern Olympics were the Winter Games added?**
- 1920
  - 1936
  - 1924
  - 1916
- 16. In which year was the first Paralympic Games held?**
- 1948
  - 1956
  - 1960
  - 1972
- 17. In which year were Olympic medals restored to Native American, Jim Thorpe?**
- 1990
  - 1980
  - 2000
  - 1982
- 18. In which three years of the Modern Olympic Games were there boycotts by various Olympic teams?**
- 1972, 1976 and 1984
  - 1976, 1980 and 1988
  - 1968, 1976 and 1980
  - 1976, 1980 and 1984
- 19. Where is the headquarters of the International Olympic Committee, the IOC?**
- Paris
  - Lausanne
  - Athens
  - Los Angeles
- 20. Which Olympian has won the most Olympic medals?**
- Mark Spitz
  - Sir Bradley Wiggins
  - Michael Phelps
  - Larisa Latynina