

## A

**Ball games**

We **play** all these sports.



football



rugby



American football



basketball



badminton



baseball



tennis



volleyball



table tennis

## B

**Other popular sports**

swimming

running



sailing



motor racing



horse racing



judo / karate



snowboarding



skiing



kayaking

We can use **go** with all the sports listed in B, apart from judo and karate. I **go** running every day. I **went** skiing last year. We use **do** with judo and karate. She **does** judo. (See **Unit 39: Go / went / gone.**)

## C

**Where we do sports**

We play tennis / badminton / volleyball / basketball on a **tennis / badminton / volleyball / basketball court**.

We play football / rugby on a **football / rugby pitch**.

We swim in a **swimming pool**.

Many towns have a **sports centre** – you can do lots of different sports there.

## D

**Expressions**

**Do you do any sports?**

Yes, I **go** swimming / running / sailing / kayaking.

**Do you play** football / tennis / badminton?

I **play** tennis. Which sports do you play?

**What's your favourite sport?**

I like motor racing **best**.

# Exercises

## 23.1 Cover the opposite page. What are these sports?



1 *rugby* .....



3 .....



5 .....



2 .....



4 .....



6 .....

## 23.2 Which sports use these things?



1 *kayaking* .....



3 .....



5 .....



7 .....



2 .....



4 .....



6 .....



8 .....

## 23.3 Ask questions for these answers.

- 1 *Where do people play tennis?* .....  
On a tennis court.
- 2 Do you .....  
Yes, but only American football.
- 3 .....  
No, I don't do any at all. I prefer watching TV.
- 4 Do you .....  
Yes, I go to the swimming pool every Friday.
- 5 What .....  
I like running best.
- 6 Where .....  
On a rugby pitch.

## 23.4 Look at the different sports in this unit.

- 1 Write the names of the sports you have done. ....
- 2 Where did you do them? .....
- 3 Which ones do you like? .....
- 4 Which do you not like? .....
- 5 Which ones would you like to do? .....

### Over to you

Make a page in your vocabulary book for 'sports'. Look at the sports pages of an English-language newspaper. Write down the names of sports you do not know. Look them up in a dictionary.

## Unit 23

- 23.1** 2 swimming                    5 volleyball  
3 judo / karate                6 motor racing  
4 sailing

- 23.2** 2 badminton                6 basketball  
3 table tennis                7 skiing  
4 snowboarding              8 American football  
5 baseball

- 23.3** 2 Do you play football?  
3 Do you do any sports?  
4 Do you go swimming? / like swimming? / swim?  
5 What is your favourite sport?  
6 Where do people play rugby?

**23.4** *Possible answers:*

- 1 swimming, skiing, table tennis, tennis, kayaking
- 2 in a swimming pool, in the mountains, at home, at a sports centre, on a river
- 3 I like swimming, kayaking and table tennis.
- 4 I don't like tennis.
- 5 I'd like to go sailing.