

Sport in Great Britain



Sport and nation

- **Most people in Great Britain are real sport-lovers. Even if they don't go in for sport, they like to talk about it.**



Kinds of sport

- **Many kinds of sport have taken the origin in Great Britain. Cricket, football, tennis, table tennis and badminton, were invented in Britain.**



Football or soccer

- **Britain's national sport is football, aka soccer. It was played there as far back as medieval times. Nowadays it has become the most popular game all over the world.**



Football clubs

- **There is no national football team in Great Britain. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland have their separate football clubs, which compete in European and World Cup matches.**



Football fans

- **English football fans are fond of most exciting games which are held between teams from the same city. For example, between Manchester United and Manchester City, Arsenal and Chelsea from London.**



Cricket

- **Cricket is a popular summer sport in Britain. There are many cricket clubs in the country. Cricket is more popular among men, but it is also played by women and girls.**



Cricket

- **The spectators have to be very patient. One cricket game takes a long time. There are two teams of 11 players each and test matches between national teams can last up to 5 days.**



Certain uniform

- **Cricket players wear a certain uniform — white boots, a white T-shirt and white trousers.**



Tennis

- **Tennis is another favourite sport of the Englishmen. People all over the world know Wimbledon which is the centre of lawn tennis.**



Golf

- **Golf is a game of business community. In Great Britain it is very common to establish good business relations playing golf.**



Golf

- **The equipment for this game is quite expensive as well as the entrance to a prestigious golf club, so not everyone can afford it. Golf is a ball and golf stick game played on a natural field. In this game one has to knock a ball into a hole.**

