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THE ARTICLE

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The Esports World Cup ended on Sunday. The eight-week-long competition was held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Thirty teams from across the globe competed in 22 games. The winner of the tournament was Team Falcons. They won \$7 million for finishing top of the table. The total prize money on offer at the World Cup was \$60 million. On Tuesday, Team Falcons faced off against Team Neymar Jr, led by the Brazilian soccer star. They played Counter-Strike 2, Rocket League, and TEKKEN 8. Neymar's side beat Team Falcons 2-1. Team Falcons won two of the major games and were runners-up in two. They came top in Call of Duty: Warzone and in Free Fire.

Esports have been increasing in popularity over the past decade. They are competitive video games that require great skill, quick reactions and extreme focus and concentration. Gamers take part in a variety of games. These include MOBAs (multiplayer online battle arena) like League of Legends, and first-person shooter games like Fortnite. As with other sports, Esports have their stars. These include Lee Sang-Hyeok, Luka Perkovic, and Kim Tae-sang. They are not quite household names yet. However, in the future, they will be seen as trailblazers. They may become global superstars next year. This is when the very first Olympic Esports Games take place.

Sources: <https://www.esportsworldcup.com/en>
https://www.arabnews.jp/en/features/article_128938/
https://liquipedia.net/esports/Esports_World_Cup/2024

WARM-UPS

1. ESPORTS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Esports. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

Esports / competition / Saudi Arabia / winner / top of the table / soccer / star / games popularity / the past decade / skill / reactions / concentration / household names

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. PHYSICAL GAMES: Students A **strongly** believe playing physical games is better than playing video games; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. GAMES: What are the good and bad things about these games? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Good Things	Bad Things
Fortnite		
Call of Duty		
Minecraft		
GTA		
Pokemon		
Tetris		

5. CONSOLE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "console". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. VIDEO GAMES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Fortnite
- Call of Duty
- Minecraft
- Pokemon
- Grand Theft Auto
- Cyberpunk
- Tetris
- The Legend of Zelda

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------------|--|
| 1. competition | a. Played or competed against another person or team. |
| 2. held | b. When people or teams play against each other to see who is the best. |
| 3. competed | c. When something like an event or meeting happens at a certain time or place. |
| 4. prize money | d. People or teams who come in second place in a competition. |
| 5. faced off against | e. A game or event where people try to win against each other. |
| 6. beat | f. Cash that is given to the winner of a game or contest. |
| 7. runners-up | g. To win against someone in a game or competition. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| 8. popularity | h. A period of ten years. |
| 9. decade | i. A lot of different types of things or choices. |
| 10. reaction | j. A person who does something new or different first, and others follow them. |
| 11. concentration | k. What someone does, says, or feels because of something that happened. |
| 12. variety | l. A person, company, or thing that everyone knows. |
| 13. household name | m. The ability to focus and think carefully about one thing. |
| 14. trailblazer | n. How well liked someone or something is. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The Esports World Cup was a month long. **T / F**
2. Different teams played a total of 30 games. **T / F**
3. The winning team got \$60 million in prize money. **T / F**
4. The winning team came second in two games. **T / F**
5. Esports have gained in popularity over the past 20 years. **T / F**
6. League of Legends is a multiplayer online battle arena game. **T / F**
7. Fortnite is a first-person shooter game. **T / F**
8. The very first Olympic Esports Games will take place next year. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. ended | a. very great |
| 2. competition | b. highest |
| 3. globe | c. growing |
| 4. faced off against | d. world |
| 5. top | e. close attention |
| 6. increasing | f. finished |
| 7. require | g. happen |
| 8. extreme | h. need |
| 9. concentration | i. contest |
| 10. take place | j. played |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. The eight-week- | a. great skill |
| 2. held in | b. top in Call of Duty |
| 3. finishing top | c. seen as trailblazers |
| 4. runners- | d. long competition |
| 5. They came | e. in popularity |
| 6. Esports have been increasing | f. names yet |
| 7. video games that require | g. Riyadh |
| 8. extreme focus | h. up |
| 9. They are not quite household | i. and concentration |
| 10. in the future, they will be | j. of the table |

GAP FILL

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The Esports World Cup ended on Sunday. The eight-week-
(1) _____ competition was held in Riyadh, Saudi
Arabia. Thirty teams from across the (2) _____
competed in 22 games. The winner of the tournament was Team
Falcons. They won \$7 million for (3) _____ top of the
table. The total (4) _____ money on offer at the World
Cup was \$60 million. On Tuesday, Team Falcons faced off
(5) _____ Team Neymar Jr, led by the Brazilian soccer
star. They played Counter-Strike 2, Rocket League, and TEKKEN 8.
Neymar's (6) _____ beat Team Falcons 2-1. Team
Falcons won two of the (7) _____ games and were
runners-up in two. They came (8) _____ in Call of Duty:
Warzone and in Free Fire.

finishing
against
major
long
top
prize
globe
side

Esports have been increasing in (9) _____ over the past
decade. They are competitive video games that require great
(10) _____, quick reactions and extreme focus and
concentration. Gamers take part in a (11) _____ of
games. These include MOBAs (multiplayer online battle
(12) _____) like League of Legends, and first-person
shooter games like Fortnite. As with other sports, Esports have
their (13) _____. These include Lee Sang-Hyeok, Luka
Perkovic, and Kim Tae-sang. They are not quite household
(14) _____ yet. However, in the future, they will be
seen as trailblazers. They may become (15) _____
superstars next year. This is when the very first Olympic Esports
Games take (16) _____.

variety
stars
popularity
place
arena
global
skill
names

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

- 1) The Esports World Cup ended on Sunday. The eight- _____
 - a. week-length competition
 - b. week-along competition
 - c. week-longs competition
 - d. week-long competition
- 2) Thirty teams from across the globe competed _____
 - a. in 22 games
 - b. in 22 gamers
 - c. in 22 gaming
 - d. in 22 gains
- 3) They won \$7 million for finishing top _____
 - a. of a table
 - b. of the table
 - c. of there table
 - d. of their table
- 4) Neymar's side _____
 - a. beet Team Falcons
 - b. bet Team Falcons
 - c. beat Team Falcons
 - d. bat Team Falcons
- 5) Team Falcons won two of the major games and were _____
 - a. runners-up in two
 - b. runner sup in two
 - c. runners-upping two
 - d. runners-up into
- 6) Esports have been increasing in popularity over _____
 - a. the passed decade
 - b. the paste decade
 - c. the parsed decade
 - d. the past decade
- 7) Gamers take part in a _____
 - a. variety at games
 - b. variety off games
 - c. variety for games
 - d. variety of games
- 8) They are not quite _____
 - a. household name yet
 - b. household memes yet
 - c. household names yet
 - d. household manes yet
- 9) However, in the future, they will be _____
 - a. seen as trailblazers
 - b. seen was trailblazers
 - c. seen has trailblazers
 - d. seen is trailblazers
- 10) This is when the very first Olympic Esports _____
 - a. Games make place
 - b. Games take place
 - c. Games have place
 - d. Games give place

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

1. How long was the Esports World Cup?
2. How many different games did the teams play?
3. How much was the total prize money at the World Cup?
4. Who led a team that beat Team Falcons?
5. In how many games did Team Falcons finish second?
6. For how long have Esports been increasing in popularity?
7. What MOBA game was mentioned in the article?
8. What first-person shooter game was mentioned in the article?
9. When might the Esports World Cup stars become superstars?
10. When will the first Olympic Esports Games take place?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

- 1) How long was the Esports World Cup?
 - a) a month and a half
 - b) a month
 - c) 8 weeks
 - d) three weeks
- 2) How many different games did the teams play?
 - a) 22
 - b) 23
 - c) 24
 - d) 25
- 3) How much was the total prize money at the World Cup?
 - a) \$60 million
 - b) \$50 million
 - c) \$40 million
 - d) \$20 million
- 4) Who led a team that beat Team Falcons?
 - a) Messi
 - b) Neymar
 - c) Ronaldo
 - d) Mbappe
- 5) In how many games did Team Falcons finish second?
 - a) five
 - b) four
 - c) three
 - d) two
- 6) For how long have Esports been increasing in popularity?
 - a) 20 years
 - b) a decade
 - c) a decade and a half
 - d) three decades
- 7) What MOBA game was mentioned in the article?
 - a) League of Legends
 - b) Smite
 - c) Arena of Valor
 - d) Dota 2
- 8) What first-person shooter game was mentioned in the article?
 - a) Battlefield 4
 - b) BioShock Infinite
 - c) Fortnite
 - d) Doom
- 9) When might the Esports World Cup stars become superstars?
 - a) 2030
 - b) in three years' time
 - c) the year after next
 - d) next year
- 10) When will the first Olympic Esports Games take place?
 - a) next year
 - b) 2030
 - c) the year after next
 - d) in three years' time

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

Role A – Fortnite

You think Fortnite is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their game. Also, tell the others which is the least enjoyable of these (and why): Call of Duty, Minecraft or Pokemon.

Role B – Call of Duty

You think Call of Duty is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their game. Also, tell the others which is the least enjoyable of these (and why): Fortnite, Minecraft or Pokemon.

Role C – Minecraft

You think Minecraft is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their game. Also, tell the others which is the least enjoyable of these (and why): Call of Duty, Fortnite or Pokemon.

Role D – Pokemon

You think Pokemon is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their game. Also, tell the others which is the least enjoyable of these (and why): Call of Duty, Minecraft or Fortnite.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look online / in your dictionary to find collocates, information on, synonyms for... the words 'sport' and 'game'.

sport	game

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ended• 22• table• offer• led• major	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• past• extreme• part• other• yet• may
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ESPORTS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Esports in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

ESPORTS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Esports'?
3. What do you think of Esports?
4. Are you into gaming?
5. Which is better, playing soccer on a console or on a soccer pitch?
6. Would you like to see the Esports World Cup?
7. What are the best video games?
8. Are multiplayer games or first-person-shooter games best?
9. How good are you at playing video and computer games?
10. Do people spend too long playing games?

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ESPORTS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'competition'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Are Esports really sports?
15. What do you think of gaming?
16. What do you think of watching expert gamers?
17. What do you think of Call of Duty and Fortnite?
18. What are your reactions like?
19. Should Esports be part of the Olympic Games?
20. What questions would you like to ask the expert gamers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) at | (b) on | (c) in | (d) by |
| 2. | (a) global | (b) globe | (c) globally | (d) globalize |
| 3. | (a) winer | (b) won | (c) winnings | (d) winner |
| 4. | (a) office | (b) offer | (c) offal | (d) offing |
| 5. | (a) in | (b) of | (c) at | (d) by |
| 6. | (a) down | (b) in | (c) up | (d) out |
| 7. | (a) popularity | (b) popular | (c) popularly | (d) poplar |
| 8. | (a) varied | (b) vary | (c) variety | (d) various |
| 9. | (a) That's | (b) Has | (c) Was | (d) As |
| 10. | (a) quite | (b) quit | (c) quiet | (d) quilt |
| 11. | (a) in | (b) at | (c) of | (d) by |
| 12. | (a) take | (b) do | (c) have | (d) give |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. The eight-week-long onoitcmptie
2. The winner of the aronmmttue
3. They won \$7 omillni
4. The total zrepi money
5. two of the jaorm games
6. rnesur-pu

Paragraph 2

7. increasing in rtoyiuplpa
8. over the past ceedda
9. games that iquerre great skill
10. quick ceantsori
11. take part in a taivrye of games
12. not quite duseoolhh names yet

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () Esports have been increasing in popularity over the past decade. They are competitive video games that require great
- () future, they will be seen as trailblazers. They may become global superstars
- () of games. These include MOBAs (multiplayer online battle arena) like League of Legends, and first-person
- () skill, quick reactions and extreme focus and concentration. Gamers take part in a variety
- () tournament was Team Falcons. They won \$7 million for finishing top of the table. The total prize
- () next year. This is when the very first Olympic Esports Games take place.
- () and Kim Tae-sang. They are not quite household names yet. However, in the
- (**1**) The Esports World Cup ended on Sunday. The eight-week-long competition was held
- () against Team Neymar Jr, led by the Brazilian soccer star. They played Counter-Strike 2, Rocket League,
- () and TEKKEN 8. Neymar's side beat Team Falcons 2-1. Team Falcons won two of the major games and were runners-
- () in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Thirty teams from across the globe competed in 22 games. The winner of the
- () up in two. They came top in Call of Duty: Warzone and in Free Fire.
- () shooter games like Fortnite. As with other sports, Esports have their stars. These include Lee Sang-Hyeok, Luka Perkovic,
- () money on offer at the World Cup was \$60 million. On Tuesday, Team Falcons faced off

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

1. Riyadh . competition held The in was eight-week-long
2. globe from Thirty competed . the across teams
3. \$7 won top . They million for finishing
4. the Cup . on at World money Prize offer
5. two games . of Falcons the major won
6. over past popularity in Increasing the decade .
7. video require great that They're competitive skill . games
8. games . Gamers part variety take of a in
9. other have Esports their As stars . sports, with
10. they'll seen future be trailblazers . In the as

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2408/240829-esports-world-cup-2024.html>

The Esports World Cup *ended / ending* on Sunday. The eight-week-long competition was *holds / held* in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Thirty teams from across the globe competed *in / on* 22 games. The winner of the tournament was Team Falcons. They won \$7 million for finishing *above / top* of the table. The total prize money *on / in* offer at the World Cup was \$60 million. On Tuesday, Team Falcons *headed / faced* off against Team Neymar Jr, led by the Brazilian soccer *stardom / star*. They played Counter-Strike 2, Rocket League, and TEKKEN 8. Neymar's side *beat / won* Team Falcons 2-1. Team Falcons won two of the *mayor / major* games and were runners-up in two. They *went / came* top in Call of Duty: Warzone and in Free Fire.

Esports *has / have* been increasing in popularity *over / under* the past decade. They are competitive video games that require *grate / great* skill, quick reactions and *extreme / extremely* focus and concentration. Gamers take part in a *variety / various* of games. These include MOBAs (multiplayer online battle arena) like League of Legends, and first-person shooter games like Fortnite. *As / Was* with other sports, Esports have their *suns / stars*. These include Lee Sang-Hyeok, Luka Perkovic, and Kim Tae-sang. They are not quite *household / housework* names yet. However, in the future, they will be *looked / seen* as trailblazers. They may become global superstars next year. This is when the very first Olympic Esports Games *take / give* place.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

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INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_ _sp_rts W_rld C_p _nd_d _n S_nd_y. Th_ __ght-w__k-l_ng c_mp_t_t__n w_s h_ld _n R_y_dh, S__d__r_b___. Th_rty t__ms fr_m _cr_ss th_ gl_b_ c_mp_t_d _n 22 g_m_s. Th_ w_nn_r _f th_ t__rn_m_nt w_s T__m F_lc_ns. Th_y w_n \$7 m_ll__n _f_r f_n_sh_ng t_p _f th_ t_b_l_. Th_ t_t_l pr_z_ m_n_y _n _ff_r _t th_ W_rld C_p w_s \$60 m_ll__n. _n T__sd_y, T__m F_lc_ns f_c_d _ff _g__nst T__m N_ym_r Jr, l_d by th_ Br_z_l__n s_cc_r st_r. Th_y pl_y_d C__nt_r-Str_k_ 2, R_ck_t L__g__, _nd T_KK_N 8. N_ym_r's s_d_ b__t T__m F_lc_ns 2-1. T__m F_lc_ns w_n tw_ _f th_ m_j_r g_m_s _nd w_r_ r_nn_rs-_p _n tw_. Th_y c_m_ t_p _n C_ll _f D_ty: W_rz_n_ _nd _n Fr__ F_r_.

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. ESPORTS: Make a poster about Esports. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. ESPORTS OLYMPICS: Write a magazine article about creating the Esports Olympics. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on Esports. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your opinions on Esports. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e 2. c 3. b 4. f 5. a 6. g 7. d
8. n 9. h 10. k 11. m 12. i 13. l 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 F 3 F 4 T 5 F 6 T 7 T 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. f	2. i	3. d	4. j	5. b
6. c	7. h	8. a	9. e	10. g

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Eight weeks
- 22
- \$60 million
- Neymar
- Two
- A decade
- League of Legends
- Fortnite
- Next year
- Next year

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

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MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. a 4. b 5. d 6. b 7. a 8. c 9. d 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)