



SPORT



Mo Farah crosses the finish line of the 5km in Moscow

Mo makes history

MO FARAH has become only the second man in history to complete an Olympic and world double gold in the distance events after winning the 5km at the World Championships.

The runner added the 5km title to the 10km gold he won six days earlier in Moscow to become only the second man, after Ethiopian Kenenisa Bekele, to win both long-distance crowns at the Olympics and the World Championships.

It's the fifth world or Olympic gold medal for the runner after he also won the 5km and 10km at last year's Olympic Games in London and 5km at the World Championships in Daegu in 2011.

Speaking of his 5km win Mo revealed: "I never thought in my career I would achieve something like this. This was very tough – it was all left to the last two laps. I had a lot of pressure but at the same time I enjoy it."

Did you know?

MO Farah ran 5km in just 13 minutes and 26.99 seconds, 15 seconds faster than the time he recorded when he won gold at the 2012 London Olympic Games!



Martin Paterson (R) celebrates with his team mates after scoring the winning goal in the FIFA 2014 World Cup qualifying match against Russia, giving Northern Ireland their first win in two years.

Picture of the week

SPORT IN NUMBERS

40 days after winning her only Grand Slam title, Wimbledon champion Marion Bartoli announced her retirement. The 28-year-old Frenchwoman, who is ranked seventh in the world, revealed that she will be retiring immediately because of injuries.

30 minutes after crossing the finish line and thinking they'd won the bronze medal at the World Championships, the Great British 4x100 metres relay team were told they had been disqualified. The team lost out on a medal due to an illegal baton transfer which took place between Aryeetey and Ellington outside of the changeover box.

4 gold medals each were won by British swimmers Stephanie Millward and Amy Marren at the IPC Swimming World Championships. Paralympic champion Ellie Simmonds also added to Team GB's wins by clinching gold in the S6 100m freestyle.

71 competing nations and territories will be visited by the newly-designed Queen's Baton ahead of the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow next year. The Queen's Baton, which is similar to the Olympic torch, was designed by Glasgow-based 4c Design and contains the Queen's handwritten message to the Commonwealth. The 288-day relay, covering 118,000 miles, will get under way on 9 October at Buckingham Palace.



Look Closer **SPORT**

LOOK CLOSER: 23rd - 29th August 2013

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- Paralympic champion, Ellie Simmonds won gold in the 200m front crawl. T/F?

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EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

A) If you could make history with an achievement, what would it be and why?

B) Choose one of the **SPORT IN NUMBERS** stories and turn it into a bigger article like 'Mo makes history'. Don't forget an eye-catching headline!





The teacher answers are intended to provide a guide as to the AF strand of the question and possible responses from pupils working at different levels. In the level 4/5 answers we try to provide the most complete answer possible in order to provide teaching points when discussing the answers with pupils.

1. What does the caption read?

AF2 - understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

Correct answer:

L3 – identifying obvious points

- Mo Farah crosses the finish line of the 5km in Moscow

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Who is the story about?

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AF2 - understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

Possible answers:

L3 – identifying obvious points i.e. who and what

- Mo Farah won a double gold.

L4 – identifying relevant points i.e. who and what and where

- Mo Farah is the second man in history to achieve an Olympic and World double gold by winning both distance events in Moscow.

L5 – most relevant points clearly identified:

Who is the story about? Mo Farah

What happened and why? He is the second man in history to achieve an Olympic and World double gold by winning both distance events.

Where and when did it happen? In Moscow at the World Championships

How did he do it? He won the 5km (and 10km) gold medals.

3. Who is the only other man to win the double gold in distance running?

AF2 - understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

Answer:

L4 – identifying relevant points

- Kenenisa Bekele

4. The article includes a synonym for the word ‘said’. What is it?

AF2 - understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

Possible answers:

L4 – identifying relevant points

- revealed

This question is about the Did you know? box.

5. What was Mo Farah’s race time when he won gold at the 2012 London Olympic Games?

AF3 – deduce, infer or interpret information, events or ideas from texts

Answer:

L4 – answer deduced from information given in Did you know?

- 13 minutes and 41.99 seconds (15 seconds slower than his 5km time in this year’s World Championships in Moscow).

6. Why do you think the journalist has described Mo Farah as winning the long-distance ‘crowns’?

AF5 - understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

Possible answers:

L3 – identifying basic features with little or no comment

- He is like a king because he has won the races.

L5 – identifying features with some explanation/awareness of effect

- It turns Mo Farah into the sporting king of the race track because he has achieved such greatness in winning the double.

- In the Ancient Olympic Games, the winner would wear an olive wreath on their head – a crown of victory. So, the journalist is not only emphasising how Mo Farah is making history, but is also referencing part of a tradition of champions that goes back over a thousand years.





7. Why do you think the journalist has included a quote by Mo Farah at the end of the article?

AF6 – Identify and comment on writers' purposes and viewpoints and the overall effect of the text on the reader.

L4 – simple comments identifying main purpose, little awareness of effect

• Readers will want to know how Mo Farah feels about his achievement.

L5 – clearly identifying and commenting on purpose and effect

• By quoting Mo Farah, the journalist brings the story closer to the reader to make it more real for us. We actually get to read what Mo Farah himself thought about what he experienced. That is first hand information, 'from the horse's mouth', instead of just a journalist's second hand description of an event.

• The journalist has chosen to end with a quote with emotive words, such as describing how he was under "pressure" and how "tough" it was to win the double. This emphasises what an incredible achievement it was for Mo Farah to win the double gold, especially as he did not think he was even capable of it.

These questions are about the article 'SPORT IN NUMBERS':

8. True or False?

AF2 – understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

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• Paralympic champion, Ellie Simmonds won gold in the 200m front crawl. – F (She won the gold in the S6 100m freestyle).

This question is about 'Picture of the Week':

9. Martin Paterson scored the winning goal for which team against Russia in the FIFA 2014 World Cup qualifying match?

AF2 – understand, describe, select, retrieve information, events or ideas from texts and use quotation and reference to the text

Answer:

L3 – identifying obvious points (retelling or paraphrasing)

• Northern Ireland

This question relates to all the articles in the SPORT section.

10. Which one of these articles, would be most suitable for the front page of First News and why?

AF6 – Identify and comment on writers' purposes and viewpoints and the overall effect of the text on the reader.

The obvious choice for the front page story is the article, Mo makes history.

Possible answers:

L4 – simple comments identifying main purpose, little awareness of effect

• It is a good, eye-catching photo.

• Mo Farah has won double gold, so it is a good story for the front page.

• You want to find out why Mo Farah has made history.

L5 – clearly identifying and commenting on purpose and effect

• A front page story needs to attract readers and make them want to buy the newspaper.

Mo Farah is the most famous and popular person on the page, so people would recognise his name in the headline and his image in the large photo and this would draw them to the newspaper to read a story about him.

• The article has the most eye-catching and memorable headline, especially with the use of alliteration: 'Mo makes history'.

• The headline tells the story but is also mysterious because you don't know all the details, i.e. just why Mo has made history. This would suit the front page because it would be another clever way to make the reader buy the paper to find out why.

• It is the most newsworthy story in the SPORT section because only one other man in history has achieved the Olympic and world double gold in the distance events.