

Lesson 14: Sports & Hobbies

Kinds of Sports (Виды спорта)

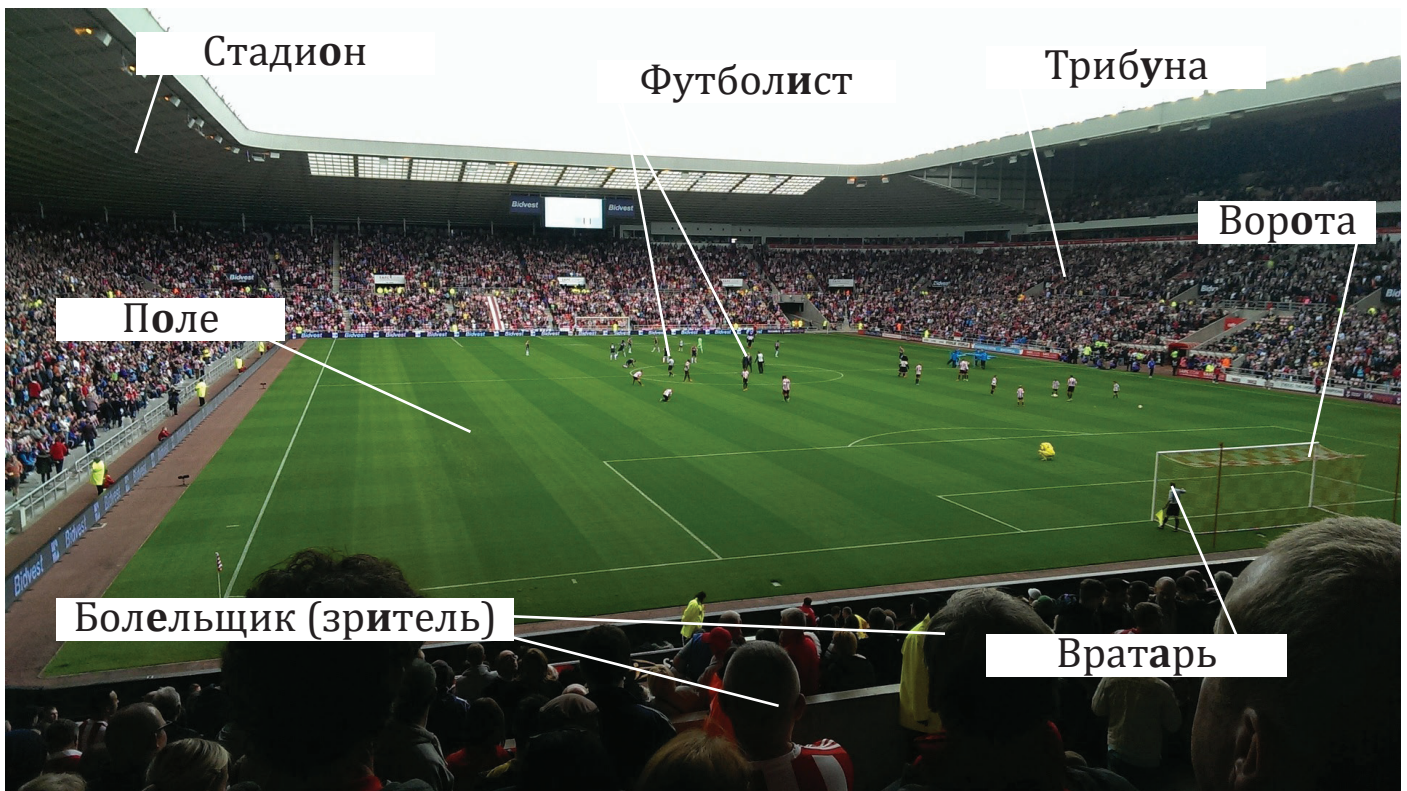
Let's talk about sports (спорт)!

Soccer / football (футбол)

Russians love football! Even though the Russian national team has not had great success in the world championships (чемпионат мира), it is one of the most popular games.

Soccer is played on a field (футбольное поле or simply поле). Each team (футбольная команда or simply команда) has 11 players (игрок or футболист), one of whom is a goalkeeper (вратарь). The game is played with a ball (мяч), which each team tries to score (забивать) into the gates (ворота) of the other team. If they succeed it is called a 'goal' (гол). A coach (тренер) gives advice on tactics and changes players when he sees the right fit.

Important games (матч) are played in a stadium (стадион) where fans (болельщик or зритель) are sitting on the bleachers (скамья) in a tribune (трибуна).



Нoкeу (Хoккeй)

Hockey (хoккeй) is another very popular sport in Russia.

Unlike soccer it is played on an ice rink (кaтoк), and players (хoккeйcт) use a hockey puck (шaйбa) and hockey sticks (хoккeйная клюшкa or simply клюшкa).

As hockey is played on ice (лeд), hockey players wear helmets (шлeм) and skates (кoньки).

The number of players is fewer than in football: 6 instead of 11.



Basketball (Бaскeтбoл)

Basketball is another well-known and beloved game in Russia. It is often played at schools as it does not require as much space as football or special ammunition (эки-пирoвкa) as hockey.

Again, it is played with a special bouncy ball (бaскeтбoльный мяч) and the team scores when it manages to put this ball into the other team's basket (кoрзiнa). The long successful shot is worth 3 points instead of the usual 2 is called 'трeхoчкoвый бросoк' or simply 'трeхoчкoвый'.



Other Sports (Другіе віды спóрта)

Boxing (**бокс**) – a fight only with fists between two boxers (**боксёр**). The fight takes place on a special ring (**ринг**). And for the safety reasons each boxer wears boxing gloves (**боксёрские перчатки**).

Biathlon (**биатлón**) – a race on a snow track with the use of skies (**лыжи**). Sportsmen receive time penalty (**штраф**) for each miss (**промах**) they commit with their rifles (**ружьё** or **винтовка**) to special targets (**мишень**).

Horse sports (**кóнный спорт**) – there are series of sports on horses (**лошадь**). Most of them are taking place in a hippodrome (**ипподрóm**). Of course it is one of the most expensive kinds of sports. Horse riders (**всадник**) are traditionally called 'jockey' (**жоккэй**).

Racing (**гóнки**) – other sports series include the usage of high speed vehicles: cars and motorbikes (**мотоцикл**). They take place on race tracks (**гóночный трек**). Sportsmen are called as following: in formula one (**формула один**) – 'пилот', and the car is called 'болід', in motorbikes racing – 'мотоциклист'. In general, they all are racers (**гóнщик**).



Бокс



Биатлон



Конный спорт



Формула один

Sport's traditions (Спортивные традиции)

When two teams play against each other, this is called a game (**игра́**) or match (**матч**). The number of points each team gains is called the score (**очко́**), and it is displayed on a piece of equipment called a scoreboard (**табло́**).

The three possible outcomes of a game are: a win (**побе́да**), a lose (**пораже́ние**), and a tie (**ничья́**).

When many people or teams compete directly, and the losers are eliminated until there is a final winner, this is called a 'tournament' (**турни́р**).

The winner of a championship or tournament is called the 'champion' (**чемпио́н**), and they often receive a trophy (**ку́бок**) or a medal (**меда́ль**).

The fairness of play and obeying the rules is ensured by referees (**рефе́ри** or **судья́**), who have a whistle (**свисто́к**) so they can stop the game.

Hobbies (Хобби)

Many people have some activity they do regularly during their free time – a hobby (**хóбби**). There are so many hobbies! Some people play board games (**настольные игры**) such as chess (**ша́хматы**) or checkers (**ша́шки**). Some people prefer poker (**пóкер**) which is a card game (**ка́рточная игра́**). Computer games (**компью́терные и́гры**) are considered sports as well, so called 'cybersports' (**киберспорт**).

Some people like to collect things like stamps (**ма́рка**) or coins (**монéта**) (we talked about this word in the lesson about money) or maybe some comics (**кóмикс**) as well.

Some love knitting (**вяза́ние**) or making crafts (**де́лать подел́ки**).

Other people love spending their time outside. Some go hiking (**ходи́ть в похóд**), and singing songs around the campfire (**петь пéсни у огня́**) (by the way it was a very popular hobby in Russia). Some like hunting (**охо́титься**) or fishing (**рыба́чить** or **лови́ть ры́бу**) or to go somewhere by bicycle (**ката́ться на велосипе́де**).

Many people like boating (**ката́ться на лóдке**) or diving (**ныря́ть с аквалáнгом** or **да́йвинг**).



Шахматы



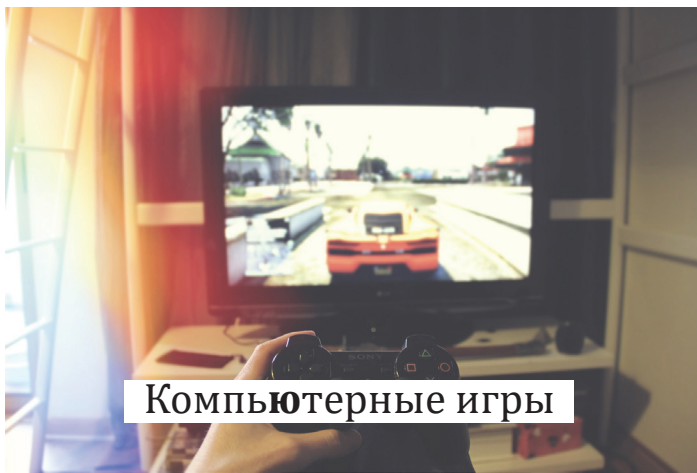
Шашки



Покер



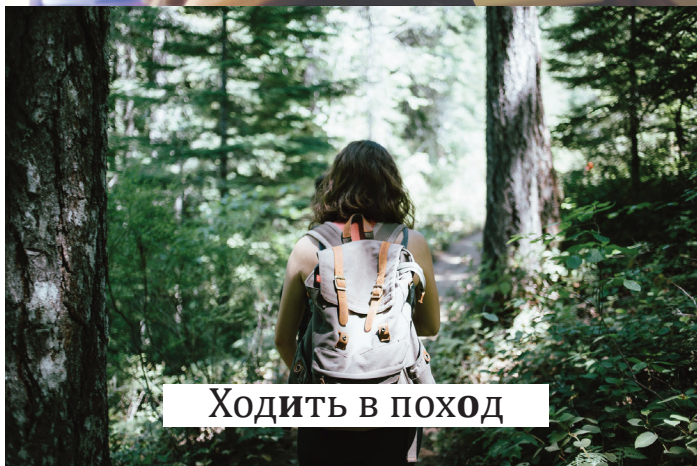
Вязание



Компьютерные игры



Петь песни у огня



Ходить в поход



Кататься на велосипеде



Ловить рыбу



Охотиться



Кататься на лодке



Нырять с аквалангом

Упражнения по произношению (Pronunciation practice)

Виды спорта, спорт, футбол, чемпионат мира, футбольное поле, поле, футбольная команда, команда, игрок, футболист, вратарь, мяч, забивать, ворота, гол, тренер, матч, стадион, болельщик, зритель, скамья, трибуна, хоккей, каток, хоккеист, шайба, хоккейная клюшка, клюшка, лёд, шлем, коньки, баскетбол, экипировка, баскетбольный мяч, корзина, трёхочковый бросок, трёхочковый, другие виды спорта, бокс, боксёр, ринг, боксёрские перчатки, биатлон, лыжи, штраф, промах, ружьё, винтовка, мишень, конный спорт, лошадь, ипподром, всадник, жоккей, гонки, мотоцикл, гоночный трек, формула один, пилот, болид, мотоциклист, гонщик, спортивные традиции, игра, матч, очко, табло, победа, поражение, ничья, турнир, чемпион, кубок, медаль, рефери, судья, свисток, хобби, шахматы, шашки, покер, карточная игра, компьютерные игры, киберспорт, марка, комикс, вязание, делать подделки, ходить в поход, петь песни у огня, охотиться, рыбачить, ловить рыбу, кататься на велосипеде, кататься на лодке, нырять с аквалангом, дайвинг.

Quiz 1. My Sports Story

Мяч, хоккей, шайба, каток, клюшка, спорт, футбольное поле, гол, коньки, хоккеист, судья, бокс.

I finally decided I should become healthy and strong, so I need to choose some _____ to play. First, I picked football. But I couldn't hit the _____ not mentioning to score a _____. So I decided to try myself in _____, as the _____ was much smaller than _____, and I would have _____ on my feet, so I can reach the gate in no time. And the other team has fewer players, so it would be a more friendly game, I thought. I completely forgot _____ has also _____ to hit the _____ and _____ to protect their heads! Oh my gosh, I was so happy I could hit anyone I didn't like, but _____ was not happy with me, so he tried to remove me. I tried to run away and fell on the ice.

And who said sports were for health? But at least it can be quite fun. I should try _____ next time, even though they have no hockey sticks...

Quiz 2. Fill in the blanks

Корзина, вязать, ружьё, кататься на лодках, ходить в поход, петь песни у костра, охотиться, биатлон, ловить рыбу, ипподром, шахматы.

1. To go _____ you don't have to kill an animal, you can just take a picture!
2. I used to play _____ when I was at school, though we had only one basket.

3. My parents loved to go _____, they have so many pictures with them going through the forest!
4. He _____, but performed so well, that he had a great success!
5. She _____ nice dolls... Never thought they could be made with needles.
6. Their main thing for _____ is not to turn it into the diving.
7. My friend loves _____, even though his cat refuses to eat that fish.
8. I don't get it how _____ became the sport!
9. Why can't you shoot your competitors with a _____ in _____, why do you have to run instead of fighting your way through?!
10. I never was in _____, are horse races still performed?

Quiz 3. Fill in the blanks





Keys to the Quiz 1. My Sports Story

I finally decided I should become healthy and strong, so I need to choose some спорт to play. First, I picked football. But I couldn't hit the мяч not mentioning to score a гол. So I decided to try myself in хоккей, as the каток was much smaller that фут-большое поле, and I would have коньки on my feet, so I can reach the gate in no time. And the other team has fewer players, so it would be a more friendly game, I thought. I completely forgot хоккеист has also клюшка to hit the шайба and шлем to protect their heads! Oh my gosh, I was so happy I could hit anyone I didn't like, but судья was not happy with me, so he tried to remove me. I tried to run away and fell on the ice.

And who said sports were for health? But at least it can be quite fun. I should try бокс next time, even though they have no hockey sticks...

Keys to the Quiz 2. Fill in the blanks

1. To go охотиться you don't have to kill an animal, you can just take a picture!
2. I used to play баскетбол when I was at school, though we had only one basket.
3. My parents loved to ходить в поход, they have so many pictures with them going through the forest!
4. Не петь песни у костра, but performed so well, that he had a great success!
5. She вязать nice dolls... Never thought they could be made with needles.
6. Their main thing for кататься на лодках is not to turn it into the diving.
7. My friend loves ловить рыбу, even though his cat refuses to eat that fish.
8. I don't get it how шахматы became the sport!
9. Why can't you shoot your competitors with a ружьё in биатлон, why do you have to run instead of fighting your way through?!
10. I never was in ипподром, are horse races still performed?

Keys to the Quiz 3. Fill in the gaps





Болид

Пилот

Трек

Формула один