

Speaking Card 40

Talking about Sport

Language: Sports Vocabulary

Choosing the Right Sport

Matt: I need to do more exercise. I'm getting a bit fat.

Kirsty: Yes, me too. Maybe we could play something together.

Matt: Good idea. What about tennis?

Kirsty: Hmm, I don't know. Isn't it a bit expensive to play tennis? We would need to hire a court.

Matt: Yes, that's true. But I already have a tennis racket at home.

Kirsty: I don't, and I don't really like tennis. I have some golf clubs though.

Matt: Golf? Ugh! How boring. And golf doesn't make you sweat. I need to get fit.

Kirsty: Fine. Not golf then. We could go swimming.

Matt: I don't have any swimming trunks. I like the water slide though.

Kirsty: Well, you definitely need trunks! And you won't lose weight if you just go on the slide.

Matt: I know. Why don't we go running?

Kirsty: That's a good idea, I have a tracksuit

and trainers and it doesn't cost anything.

Matt: I don't want to get an injury though. Isn't running bad for your joints?

Kirsty: I think it's OK. It depends how far you run. And as long as you warm-up first, you should be fine.

Matt: OK. Let's do it!

Winter Sports

Fiona: OK. I have my skis, poles, boots, helmet and gloves. I think I'm ready to go.

Todd: Cool. I've got my snowboard, my goggles, my boots and my helmet, so that's all I need.

Fiona: OK. Let's buy our ski passes and get on the ski lift.

On the Ski Lift

Todd: I love it here. This is my absolute favourite ski resort.

Fiona: Yeah. And look down there; they're preparing the piste.

Todd: Great. But I'm going off-piste. It's more fun.

Fiona: Well, watch out for the trees. See you later.

HANDY PHRASES & WORDS

Places for Sports

football pitch (*BrE*) × soccer field (*AmE*) – fotbalové hřiště
basketball / volleyball court – basketbalové, volejbalové hřiště
tennis court – tenisový kurt
golf course – golfově hřiště
stadium – stadión
gym – tělocvična, posilovna
ski resort – lyžařské středisko
piste (*BrE*) × ski slope (*AmE*) – sjezdovka
ski lift – lyžařský vlek
ice rink – kluziště

Equipment

tennis racket – tenisová raketa
golf club – golfová hůl
hockey stick – hokejka
baseball bat – basebalová pálka
skis – lyže
poles – lyžařské hůlky
(ice) skates – brusle
ski / swimming goggles – lyžařské brýle / brýle na plavání

Sports Clothes

swimming costume (*BrE*) × swimsuit (*AmE*) – dámské plavky
swimming trunks – pánské plavky
tracksuit – sportovní tepláková souprava
trainers (*BrE*) × sneakers (*AmE*) – sportovní obuv

Phrases Connected with Sport

I need to get fit / lose weight.
to warm up / to stretch
We need to hire a court.
to get an injury / get injured



Task 1 Role-play a dialogue with your classmate. You and your friend want to start playing a new sport. Talk together about a few different sports and come to a final decision.

Task 2 What sports do you like? What was the last sporting activity you took part in? Do you like watching sports on television? What was the last sport you watched?

Task 3 What sports can you see in the pictures? What equipment can you see?