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## **Level 1**

# **Video games should be in Olympics**

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# THE READING

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A designer of the World of Warcraft game has said video games should be in the Olympics. Rob Pardo told the BBC that video games (also called e-sports) should be an Olympics event. It would make the Olympics more modern. Millions of people love playing and watching competitive gaming. Mr Pardo said professional gamers need to be "lightning quick". They have to make hundreds of sudden decisions in one game. It is difficult to get e-sports into the Olympics. People do not think it is a real sport because it uses technology. Pardo says it is a sport because it needs physical effort and skill. He thinks it is better than many Olympic sports. PC Magazine said there could be an international competition just for e-sports. This could be like the Olympics. It means gaming would be the main event. In the Olympics, gaming would be one of many sports.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-30597623>  
<http://www.pcgamer.com/esports-should-be-an-olympic-event-wow-creator/>  
<http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2474193,00.asp>

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1412/141227-e-sports-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. video games should be      | a. of people         |
| 2. also called e-             | b. watching          |
| 3. It would make the Olympics | c. more modern       |
| 4. Millions                   | d. decisions         |
| 5. love playing and           | e. "lightning quick" |
| 6. professional               | f. in the Olympics   |
| 7. need to be                 | g. gamers            |
| 8. make hundreds of sudden    | h. sports            |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. It is difficult to get e-sports | a. of many sports      |
| 2. People do not think             | b. and skill           |
| 3. it uses                         | c. many Olympic sports |
| 4. Pardo says it is                | d. into the Olympics   |
| 5. it needs physical effort        | e. a sport             |
| 6. He thinks it is better than     | f. it is a real sport  |
| 7. an international competition    | g. technology          |
| 8. gaming would be one             | h. just for e-sports   |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) \_\_\_\_\_ World of Warcraft game has said video games (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Olympics. Rob Pardo told the BBC that video games (3) \_\_\_\_\_ should be an Olympics event. It would make the Olympics more modern. (4) \_\_\_\_\_ love playing and watching competitive gaming. Mr Pardo said professional gamers (5) \_\_\_\_\_ quick". They have to make hundreds of sudden (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

It is difficult (7) \_\_\_\_\_ the Olympics. People do not think it is a real sport because (8) \_\_\_\_\_. Pardo says it is a sport because (9) \_\_\_\_\_ and skill. He thinks it is better than many Olympic sports. PC Magazine (10) \_\_\_\_\_ an international competition just for e-sports. This (11) \_\_\_\_\_ Olympics. It means gaming would be the main event. In the Olympics, gaming would (12) \_\_\_\_\_ sports.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

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b)

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c)

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d)

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e)

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f)

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g)

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h)

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

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