

The Olympics

The Olympic Games are based on an ancient ritual started in Greece some time in the ninth Century B.C.E (Before Common Era, referring to the year 1.) The modern Olympic Games began again in 1896 and, except for one cancellation during WWII, have continued every four years until the present time. Winter Olympics are two years behind Summer. Olympics and also repeat in a four-year cycle. From all over the world, the best athletes come to compete to establish the champion of champions. Everyone seems to have a wonderful time. Yet the Olympics are not without controversy.

1. In what country did the Olympic Games begin?

It begin in Greece.

2. How long have the modern Olympic Games been going on, and how often are they held?

They have been going on for more than 100 years, and they are held every 4 years.

Using the Context to Infer the Meanings of Words:

1. Kim Saang Su is CEO of LG Electronics, Inc.

A. The owner.

B. An outstanding employee.

C. The Chief Executive Officer.

D. An assistant accountant.

2. The managers seem happy that Kim has spent the day lecturing and rallying them.

A. Organizing and encouraging.

B. Insulting and blaming.

C. Boring.

D. Complaining about.

3. Kim Young Kee is a VP of LG Electronics.

A. Coordinator of prices.

B. Very Important Person.

C. Admirer.

D. Vice President.

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6. Kim wants to lift LG up to the level of the biggest companies that have global brands.
- A. Huge buildings and equipment.
 - B. More than 10,000 employees on their payroll.
 - C. Names and symbols known around the world.**
 - D. Giant computer networks.
7. The advanced Korean market provides a testing ground for new technologies.
- A. A large amount of soil for planting.
 - B. A group of skilled scientists and technicians.
 - C. A laboratory for creating new inventions.
 - D. A place to try out the latest products.**
8. Kim grew up on a farm and admits to being more comfortable visiting factories than in his spacious office in Seoul.
- A. Manufacturing plants where products are built.**
 - B. Places where products are stored.
 - C. Centers where ad campaigns are planned.
 - D. Administration offices.