

MODERN OLYMPICS



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students

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"GIFP as a GIFT"

The Olympic Games reformer

Tigers' team

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- A passion for the **Ancient Olympics** was born in the **18th century** because of the discover of Olympia during **archaeological searches**
- **English-speaking** countries early **included sport** in their **school system**, showing its **importance**

- French Baron **Pierre de Coubertin** has **modernised the Olympic Games**



- His **2 main interests** were:
 - the **Ancient Olympic Games**
 - and the **English-speaking countries school system**

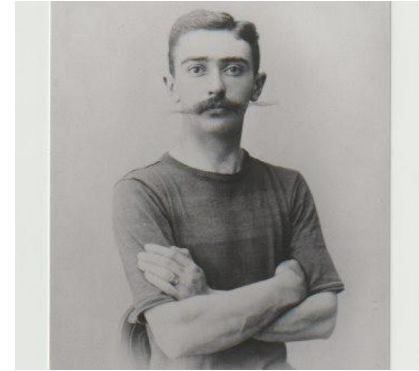
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Blue Whales' team

Arwen, Kalila,

Melvyn, Nina

- **Pierre de Coubertin** thought **young people** may benefit from sport
- It hasn't been easy for Pierre de Coubertin **to create Modern Olympics** because not everyone shared his ideas and he had to face **difficulties**



- The **International Olympic Committee (IOC)** was created **in 1894, in Paris**
- **Pierre de Coubertin** was the **IOC President** from **1896** until **1925**

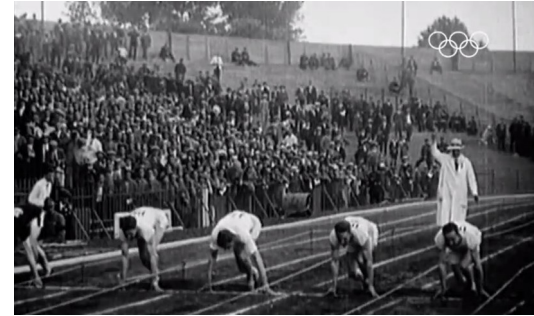
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Wolves' team

Albane, Aurélien,

Céline, Sylvain

- The **first Modern Olympics** took place in **1896, in Athens, Greece**



- Pierre de Coubertin died in 1937 :
 - **his body was buried** in the cemetery of Bois-de-Vaux, in **Lausanne, Switzerland**
 - and **his heart was buried** under a marble gravestone, in **Olympia**

Modern Olympics

- They are composed of **Summer and Winter games**

- The Olympics are **worldwide** because:
 - each one **takes place in a different town, in the whole world**
 - **every country and every people can participate**

Modern Olympics

- The length of time **between two Olympic sessions is 4 years** and **2 years between the summer and the winter editions**
- The **1st Winter Olympics** were organised in **1924, in Chamonix, France**



- The **first time that women were allowed to participate was in 1900, in Paris**



- In **2010** were created **the Youth Olympics Games** to allow young athletes to develop sportive skills



The Youth Olympic Games

Caribou's team

Aristide, Linette,

Joan, Maxime



- You need to be **between 15 and 18 years old to participate** to the Youth Olympic games

- There are **4,000 young athletes** who participate to the **Summer Youth Olympic Games**
 - and they come **from all over the world**



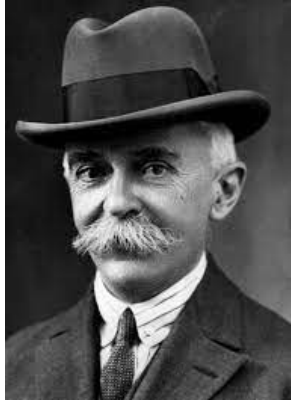
- For the **Winter Youth Olympic Games** there are **1,800 young athletes** who participate and **they come from 80 countries**

The 5 Olympic circles

Caimans' team

Mayasin, Maëlle,

Lorine, Ricardo



- **Pierre de Coubertin proposed this Olympic symbol. It was first used in 1920**
- The circles symbolise **the union between the 5 continents** and **the meeting of athletes** from all around the world



- The colors - blue, yellow, black, green and red on a white background - were chosen **so that every country can find at least one color on their national flag**

Why a flame relay?



- The first flame relay was organised in **1936** in **Berlin, Germany**

- **The flame relay**, organised a few month before the start of the games, symbolizes **the link between the Ancient and the Modern games**

- We light it in **Olympia, Greece**



- It is transported by **relay** in the host countries and the flame moves in the country by favour **paths** and **historical sites**

The flame...



Gorillas' team

Ella, Laura,

Léa, Lou



During its journey, the flame meets **actress, torchbearers, the crowd** and an **unknown torchbearer** who places it in a basin



Gorillas' team

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The end



Thank you

Grazie mille

Merci

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