

Y3 Autumn Non-Fiction: Non-Chronological Reports: Sports

Unit 5

Composition: Write a report for an unusual sport

Teacher Notes

Preparation Notes:

- For this unit, familiarise yourself in advance with the more unusual sports found on many of the final pages of each section of the **DK Children's Book of Sport** edited by Alexander Cox.
- Please ensure your children have access to the internet for **Day 1** research.
- Try to gather together a range of sports information books for the research on **Day 1**. You might also like to make copies of the unusual sports pages from the **DK Children's Book of Sport** (pages 28, 38, 84, 110, 144) to help with research.
- For the plenary of **Day 1**, make copies of each child's notes so that everyone in the group has access to the pool of research at the end of the session.

Notes for Teaching:

- If you have not completed **Unit 3**, you may decide to spend longer looking at note-taking techniques during **Day 1**.
- On **Day 1**, emphasise the importance of checking information researched online. Wikipedia is very useful for the research on this day, but encourage children to be mindful that this is only one source.
- Also, on **Day 2**, if children completed **Unit 3** and so are familiar with mind maps you may wish to give them the option of creating a mind map, (using the optional resource included) instead of the notes table.
- On **Day 3**, please note that you are not re-teaching conjunctions & extended sentences, but simply putting into practice children's prior learning on this.
- Time may be tight on **Day 4** to create final polished reports. You may decide to make this an additional handwriting session or could alternatively explore design software and create online reports during a Computing session.
- The final reports should make a great display when organised by specific sports – lots of comparisons can be made!

Essential text:

DK Children's Book of Sport edited by Alexander Cox, DK, ISBN: 978-1405368506

Other children's reference books about sport.

Weblinks:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/unusual-sports-to-try>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_sports

<https://www.topendsports.com/sport/list/index.htm>