**Lesson 9. Famous sportsmen.**

**Warming up: Listen and say if the statements are true or false.**

1. Draughts is an outdoor game.
2. Every player dreams of losing a game.
3. Women are good football players, as a rule.
4. We use balls when playing badminton.
5. Golf is played on ice fields.
6. Hockey is one of the most popular summer sports.
7. Boxers fight with bare hands.
8. You may touch the ball with your hands when playing football.

**Main Part**

1. **Vocabulary**

**trainer –** тренер **referee -** суддя

**goalkeeper –** воротар **cup -** кубок

**rule –** правило **conform –** підкорятися (правилам)

**tier –** ряд, ярус **point –** рахунок (бал)

**ultimate –** кінцевий  **contest –** змагання

1. **Vocabulary practice:**

1.     football

2.     golf

3.     basketball

4.     badminton

5.     chess

6.     water polo

7.     ice-hockey

8.     tennis

**Definitions**

**a)**    A game for two players. They have rockets. They hit a shuttlecock over a net.

**b)**    A game played by two teams of six players each that is played on an ice field.

**c)**     A game in which you use long sticks called clubs to hit a small ball into holes in grassy land.

**d)**    This is an outdoor game for two teams of eleven players. You need a ball, two goals and a referee.

**e)**     It’s a game in which two teams of five players try to throw a ball in a net basket fixed to a metal ring. The players bounce a ball and pass it to each other.

**f)**      This is an indoor game for two or sometimes four players who hit a small plastic ball to each other across a net.

**g)**    It’s a game for two players. They have sixteen figures which they move on the board. They must trap the opponent’s king to win.

**h)**    You play this game in the swimming pool. You need a ball and two goals. You must be a very good swimmer.

1. **Reading.**

**Famous sportsmen**

 andriy shevchenko

Andriy Shevchenko is a Ukrainian footballer who plays for Dynamo Kyiv and the Ukraine national team as a striker. He is the third-highest scorer in the history of European club competition with 63 goals. The most prestigious of Andriy's awards were the Golden Ball and the UEFA Cham­pions League in 2003 with Milan.

 KLYCHKO BROTHERS

Vitaliy Klychko, older brother, is the current WBC world heavyweight champion. He has the highest knockout percentage (95%) of any heavy­weight boxing champion in overall fights and has never been knocked out or knocked down in any professional boxing bout. His younger brother, Volodymyr Klychko, is a Ukrainian heavyweight boxer.

 LILIYA PODKOPAYEVA

     Olympic all-around champion. She is widely regarded as one of the best gymnasts in history. She is the proud owner of 45 gold, 21 silver and 14 bronze medals.

    VASYL VIRASTYUK

    Vasyl Virastyuk is a strongman competitor from Ukraine. He competed in the finals of the World's Strongest Man contest in 2003 (3rd place) and 2004 (1st place). As well he won the 2007 IFSA Strongman World Championship.

**Exercise 1. Read and translate the text:**

**Sports in Ukraine and Great Britain**

Many sports are popular in Ukraine. They are: hockey, soccer, weightlifting, athletics, tennis, basketball, volleyball, boxing, figure-skating, swimming, judo and shooting.

There are many stadiums and sports grounds in the country. A lot of national and international matches and competitions are regularly held in Ukraine. They attract large numbers of fans.

Ukrainian sportsmen show good Olympic results.

Among the best known Ukrainian football teams is the Kyiv “Dynamo”. Andriy Shevchenko is a famous Ukrainian footballer, who is a national hero in Ukraine. Ukraine is also famous for its boxers - Vladimir and Vitaliy Klychko which have won world champion’s title many times. Brothers Vitaliy and Volodymyr Klychko show the highly professional boxing.

The English love sport very much too. They like to play it and also to watch on TV. Also the British like to talk about sports competitions and international matches.

Football for example is the most popular team game in Britain. Everybody likes to play football: children in the streets or park or other top international players.

British people play many other sports, including hockey, ice hockey, volleyball, tennis, rugby, table tennis, boxing and many others.

Sport competitions gather a lot of people in Great Britain. Everyone in Great Britain is fond of sport and they know that if they train hard, sport will make them be healthy.

**Exercise 2. Answer the questions:**

1. Why is sport so important in our lives?
2. What kinds of sports are popular in Ukraine?
3. What is the best known Ukrainian football team?
4. Do the English love sport?
5. What is the most popular team game in Britain?
6. What is the most popular sport in Ukraine?

**Exercise 3. Read the dialogue:**

**Sports and Games in England**

* What would you say are the most popular games in England today?
* Well, I suppose football, that is, soccer or rugger, and cricket.
* What are other outdoor games?
* Oh, there’s tennis, hockey, golf, and so on. Tennis is played all the year round – on hard courts or grass courts in summer, and on hard or covered courts in winter.
* What about horse-racing?
* I should say that that is one of the most popular sports in Great Britain. Then there are, of course, walking-races, running, swimming and boxing.
* I’ve been told that there are no winter sports in England.
* Well, you see, the English winter isn’t very severe as a rule, and we don’t often have a chance of skiing, skating or tobogganing, but winter is the great time for hunting, provides the ground is not too hard. Is there any golf to be had near London?
* Oh, yes, any amount, there are dozens of good golf links within an hour or so of London. You ought to join a golf club if you’re keen on the game.
* I think I shall if I get the chance. What about indoor games?
* Well, there’s chess, billiards, table tennis… By the way, do you play billiards?
* Well, I do, but of course, I’m not a professional or champion, just an ordinary amateur and not a very good one at that.

**Exercise 4. Talk with your partner on the following items.**

1. What competitive sports do you know?
2. What are spectator (participant) sports?
3. What sports are popular in our country (the USA, England)?
4. What is the most characteristic feature of Ukrainian sports programmes?
5. What do you know about major professional sports in Great Britain and the USA?

**Exercise 5. Complete the sentences.**

1. Americans consider baseball …
2. Americans football is called…
3. Football players can use their …
4. Due to huge stadiums people can …
5. The goalkeeper acts as a judge in …
6. Golf is played on …

**Exercise 6. Match the words with their definitions.**

1. tennis court **a** the person who is a leader of a team
2. athletics track **b** the place where you play tennis
3. ski slope **c** if you do a lot of exercises, you will
4. get feet **d** the place where athletes run
5. captain **e** the person who is in charge of a team
6. 6. coach **f** what players do before they start playing
7. referee **g** the people who watch a sport
8. warm up **h** the person who controls a football match
9. train **i** the place where you ski
10. spectators **j** what professional sports people have to

 every day

**Homework**: find out information (10-15 sentences) about one Ukrainian sportsman for the 2013-2023 period. Write about his\her achievements in sport, failures, rewards, victories. Present the information in class.