

WINTER OLYMPICS TRIVIA QUIZ



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- 1> Which Winter Olympics' mascot was Copper the Coyote?
- 2> Which Winter Olympic games saw Eric Heiden win 5 gold medals?
- 3> Where were the first Winter Olympics held?
- 4> Who won the first ever gold medal at the Winter Olympics?
- 5> Which figure skater won three gold medals?
- 6> Before the existence of the Winter Olympics, which of these events was held during the summer games?
- 7> Which country won the first Winter Olympics?
- 8> How many countries competed at the first Winter Olympics?
- 9> How many sports were there at the first Winter Olympics?
- 10> Which of these events was not included in the first Winter Olympics?

Answers:

- 1> USA - Copper was the mascot for the 2002 Winter Olympics held in Salt Lake City. Powder the hare was the other official mascot. Copper represented higher and Powder represented faster.
- 2> 1980 - The Olympics were held in Lake Placid, New York. Eric Heiden was an American athlete who competed in speed skating.
- 3> France - The games were in Chamonix, France in 1924. The games opened on January 25th and closed on the 5th of February. Sixteen countries competed.
- 4> Charles Jewtraw - Charles Jewtraw competed for the United States. He won the gold medal in men's 500 meter speed skating.
- 5> Sonja Henie - Sonja won gold at the 1928, 1932 and 1936 Olympic games. She made her Olympic debut in 1924 at the age of 11.
- 6> Ice hockey - Both ice hockey and figure skating had been events in the summer games. The International Olympic Committee decided in 1921 that winter sports should have equal recognition, which led to the first ever Winter Olympics.
- 7> Norway - Norway won with a total of 17 medals. They had 4 gold, 7 silver and 6 bronze. The first games were in 1924.
- 8> 16 - The first games were held in 1924. There were 258 athletes representing 16 different nations.
- 9> 9 - The ceremonies were held in 1924. The games were officially opened by Gaston Vidal. The games were opened on January 25 and closed on the 4th of February.
- 10> Luge - Luge was not introduced to the games until 1964. The games were held in Innsbruck, Austria. Luge doubles is technically an event that both women and men can compete in together.