

Olympic History: Nature and Animals

Olympic History · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. Which animal was famously released during the 1988 Seoul Opening Ceremony, leading to subsequent changes in Olympic protocol regarding live animal releases?

A) Dove

- B) Falcon
- C) Eagle
- D) Swan

2. During the 2000 Sydney Olympics, what specific environmental initiative was implemented to make the Athletes' Village the world's largest solar-powered suburb?

A) Solar-powered water heaters

- B) Wind turbine integration
- C) Geothermal cooling systems
- D) Rainwater harvesting tanks

3. In ancient Olympic history, which animal was most frequently sacrificed to Zeus at the altars within the Altis?

A) Bull

- B) Ram
- C) Goat
- D) Horse

4. Which Olympic host city famously constructed the 'Bird's Nest' stadium, officially known as the Beijing National Stadium, for the 2008 Games?

A) Beijing

- B) Tokyo
- C) Seoul
- D) Athens

5. What major environmental challenge did the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympics face regarding the Guanabara Bay?

A) Water pollution

- B) Deforestation
- C) Air quality
- D) Rising sea levels

6. The 1972 Munich Olympics were the first to feature an official mascot. What animal was 'Waldi'?

A) Dachshund

- B) Bear
- C) Eagle
- D) Lion

7. During the 1994 Lillehammer Winter Olympics, what was the primary environmental focus of the organizing committee?

A) Green Games concept

- B) Ocean cleanup
- C) Desert reforestation
- D) Solar heating

8. Which mountain range's ecosystems were the primary concern during the planning of the 2006 Winter Olympics in Turin?

A) The Alps

- B) The Andes
- C) The Rockies
- D) The Himalayas

9. In the ancient Olympic Games, which animal-related sport involving chariots was considered the most prestigious?

A) Four-horse chariot race

- B) Two-horse chariot race
- C) Horseback riding
- D) Mule-cart race

10. What type of environmental certification did the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics seek to achieve for its construction projects?

A) LEED

- B) ISO 14001
- C) Green Star
- D) BREEAM

11. What major environmental effort was made in Tokyo 2020 regarding the Olympic medals?

A) Made from recycled electronics

- B) Made from volcanic rock
- C) Sourced from sustainable mines
- D) Forged from salvaged ship steel

12. What animal is represented by the mascot 'Misha,' the face of the 1980 Moscow Summer Olympics?

- A) Brown Bear**
- B) Siberian Tiger
- C) Snow Leopard
- D) Moose

13. Which specific environmental policy was emphasized during the London 2012 Olympics to reduce the carbon footprint of the event?

- A) Public transport focus**
- B) Electric air travel
- C) Carbon-neutral water
- D) Wind-only power

14. The 1936 Berlin Olympics were the first to use the Olympic torch relay. The route passed through which natural landmark in Greece?

- A) Olympia**
- B) Mount Olympus
- C) Delphi
- D) Mount Athos

15. Which of the following animals was featured as the mascot for the 1968 Winter Olympics in Grenoble?

- A) Schuss (a skier)**
- B) Eagle
- C) Wolf
- D) Mountain Goat