

Muhammad Ali – the greatest boxer in the world

1 New words for this article - Nouveaux mots pour cet article

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| 1 | champion | the winner and the best sports person in one sport |
| 2 | rounds | the 3 minute long parts of a boxing match |
| 3 | ring | the place where boxers go to fight |
| 4 | to beat | to win, to be better than someone |

2 Comprehension questions

Questions de compréhension en lecture

- Where did Muhammad Ali fight against George Foreman?
- Who won the fight?
- How many rounds did they fight?
- What is Muhammad Ali's name before?

3 Speaking activities - Activités orales

Pratiquez vos compétences orales - répétez ces phrases.

- Kinshasa is a big town in the Democratic Republic of Congo in Africa.
- The time is four o'clock in the morning on 30th October 1974.
- It is night but it is very hot.
- The men from the television and from the radio are there.
- Millions of people are going to see the big fight between the two heavy men.

4 Speaking activities - Activités orales

Exercez-vous à parler - répondez à ces questions en anglais:

- What time is the fight starting?
- How many rounds are there usually in a long fight?
- How heavy is George Foreman?
- Where does Muhammad Ali's family live?

5 Match the sentences (A-D) and (E-H) – Faire correspondre les phrases (A-D) et (E-H).

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| A | The fight starts. |
| B | Ali hits Foreman |
| C | The fight is for fifteen 'rounds' |
| D | each round the fighters stop |
| E | A 'round' is three minutes of a fight |
| F | for one minute |
| G | The people near the ring are quiet |
| H | He hits him again and again |

6 True or False? - Vrai ou Faux?

- Cassius Clay is the old name of Muhammad Ali.
- The name of his father is Muhammad too.
- His family live in Louisville, Kentucky, in the USA.
- The family has a lot of money.

7 Fill in the gap - Remplir le vide

All his life, Cassius Clay fights. He ...1... to fight and he is good. He fights in the ...2... ring, and he fights ...3... with words.

After 1964 he has a new ...4... – Muhammad Ali. He has a Muslim name. But a lot of people call him the 'The Greatest', or 'The Champ'. 'Champ' is a short word for ...5... and the champion is the best, the greatest.

Answers –

2 Comprehension questions

Questions de compréhension en lecture

- 1 In Kinshasa
- 2 Muhammad Ali won the fight
- 3 For 8 rounds
- 4 Cassius Clay

4 Speaking activities - Activités orales

Exercez-vous à parler - répondez à ces questions en anglais:

- 1 Four o'clock in the morning
- 2 Fifteen rounds
- 3 100 kilos
- 4 Louisville, Kentucky

5 Match the sentences (A-D) and (E-H) –

Faire correspondre les phrases (A-D) et (E-H).

A=G

B=H

C=E

D=F

6 True or False? - Vrai ou Faux?

- 1 True
- 2 False
- 3 True
- 4 False

7 Fill in the gap – Remplir le vide

- 1 likes
- 2 boxing
- 3 people
- 4 name
- 5 champion