

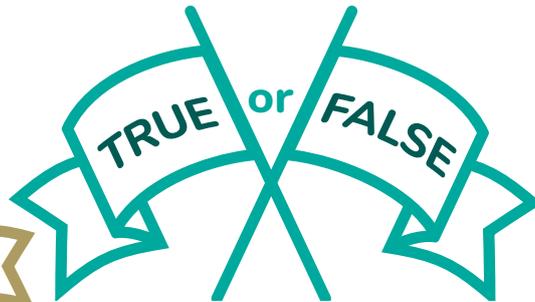
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Activity Pack **05**



Look at the word box above. Do you play any of the sports listed?
 What sports, games or activities do you enjoy most?



Wimbledon is the oldest tennis tournament in the world.



Kerry has won the most All-Ireland Senior Football titles



The first FIFA Women's World Cup was held in China in 1981.



In total, Serena Williams has won the Wimbledon Ladies' Singles Championship 5 times.



Rugby balls were originally made from the bladder of a pig.



Germany has won the most FIFA World Cup titles.



There is a GAA club in Finland called the Helsinki Harps.



The name 'Rugby' comes from the fact that the sport was played in a school located in the town of Rugby in England.

Turn over to the last page to see if you are right!

Frank Stoker

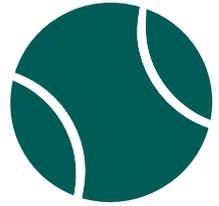
Born: 29 May 1867

Died: 8 January 1939 (aged 72)

County: Dublin

Occupation: Dentist

Sporting Highlights: Wimbledon Tennis Champion. He won the Doubles title in 1890 and 1893 with Joshua Pim (who also lived in Dublin). Stoker also played Rugby Union for Ireland so he is the only rugby international to have also won at Wimbledon!



Irish Players at Wimbledon

1890 was a great year for Stoker, but also for Tipperary woman Helena 'Lena' Rice (pictured on the left). She became the first and only Irish woman to win the Ladies' Singles Championship at Wimbledon! She was also the first player to use the overhead smash shot!



A player at Wimbledon in 1901



Helena 'Lena' Rice

Is Frank's surname familiar to you? A cousin of his was Bram Stoker, the author of Dracula.

Norma Stoker (Frank's Daughter) was also a great tennis player. She won many titles and excelled at badminton too - winning national Irish titles!

Interesting Facts



Val (Valentine) Harris

Born: 23 June 1884

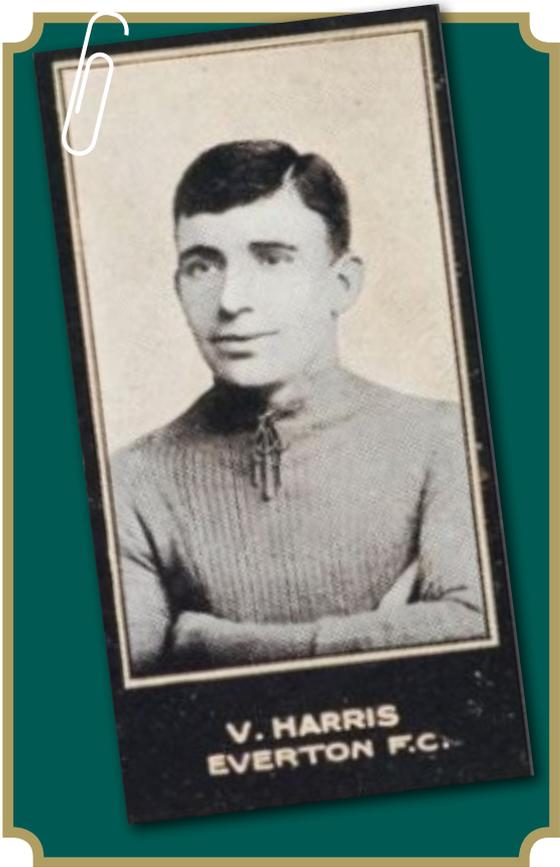
Died: 9 November 1963 (aged 79)

County: Dublin

Occupation: Football Coach

Sporting Highlights: Played Gaelic Football for Dublin and won an All-Ireland medal in 1901. He played soccer for Shelbourne, Everton, and Ireland.

Val Harris made close to 200 appearances for Everton. In 1913 Harris captained the first Irish team to beat England and in 1914 Ireland went on to win the British Home Championship.



Interesting Facts



Harris was the first Shelbourne player to be capped and achieved 20 caps for Ireland!

Can you find a way through the Track?

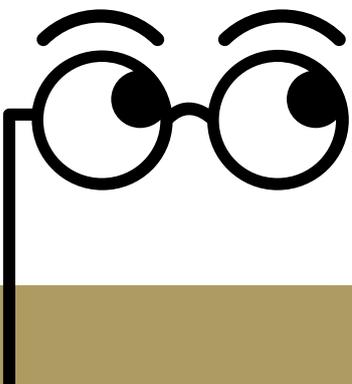
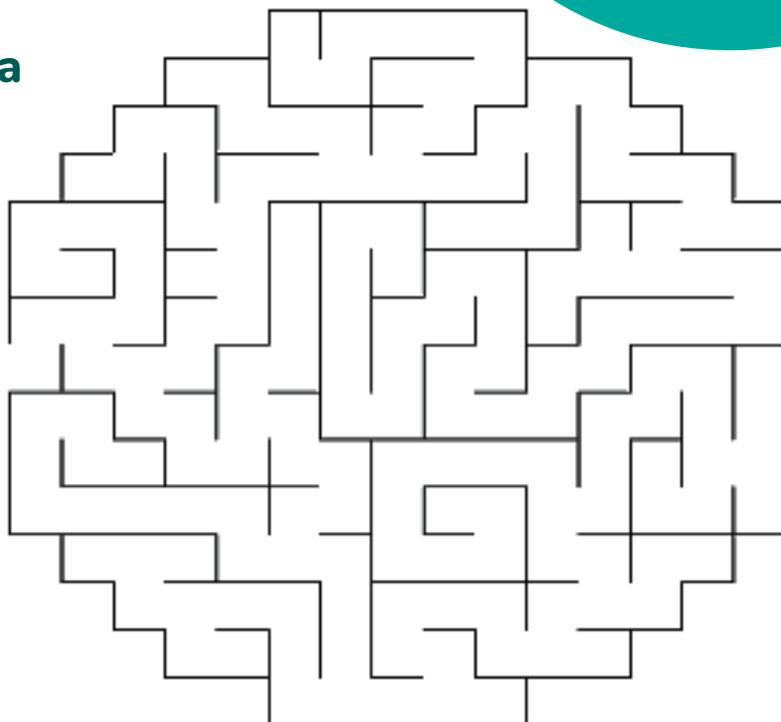




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Michael Cusack

Born: 20 September 1847

Died: 28 November 1906 (aged 59)

County: Clare

Occupation: Teacher

Sporting Highlights: Was a founder of the Gaelic Athletic Association. The GAA was set up on 1 November 1884.

Cusack was also a great athlete. He won the Irish shot-put championship in 1881 and was also a high jumper, rugby player and rower.



Interesting Facts



The Cusack Stand can be found in Croke Park.

Can you think of other places that are named after him?

Michael Cusack's home in Clare is now a visitor centre that is open to the public.

How Many?

Connect the sport to the number of players that play on a team during a match.



Soccer

15



Hurling

5



Football

15



Basketball

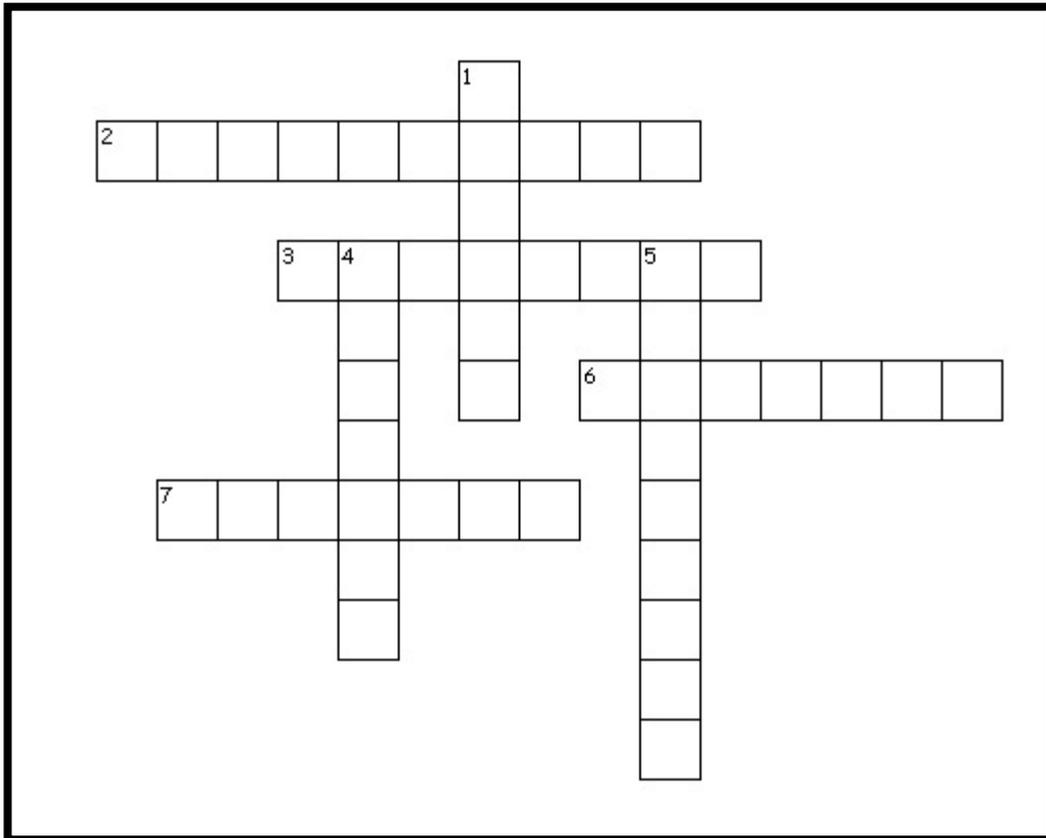
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Hockey

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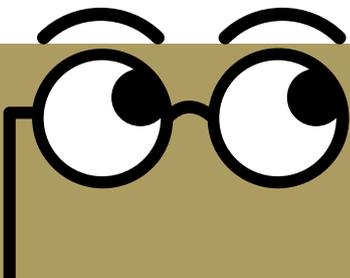


Across

2. What Irish football club did Val Harris play with? (10)
3. Who is the only Irish woman to have won the Ladies' Singles title at Wimbledon? (8)
6. What title was won by Frank Stoker and Joshua Pim? (7)
7. Frank Stoker worked as a _____. (7)

Down

1. This man was a founder of the GAA. (6)
4. Name the English football club that Val Harris played with. (7)
5. This stadium is the headquarters of the GAA. (9)

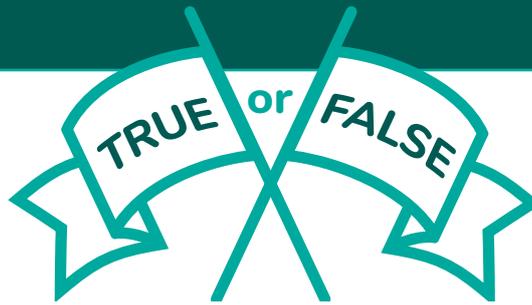


HINT? All the answers
are in this activity book!



You have just discovered some of the famous sports stars who are buried in Glasnevin Cemetery.

Which sportsperson do you admire most? Think of those from the past and the present.



1 Wimbledon is the oldest tennis tournament in the world. True

5 Kerry has won the most All-Ireland Senior Football titles. True

2 The first FIFA Women's World Cup was held in China in 1981. False – the first FIFA Women's World Cup was held in China in 1991.

6 In total, Serena Williams has won the Wimbledon Ladies' Singles Championship 5 times. False – To date, Serena Williams has actually won the Wimbledon Ladies' Singles Championship 7 times!

3 Rugby balls were originally made from the bladder of a pig. True

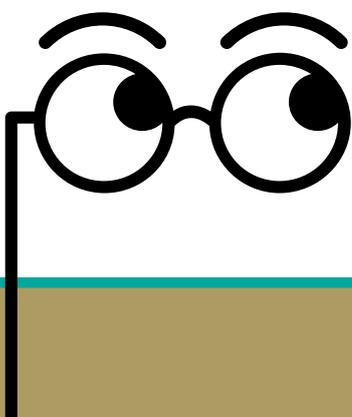
7 Germany has won the most FIFA World Cup titles. False – Brazil holds the most World Cup titles.

4 There is a GAA club in Finland called the Helsinki Harps. True – it was set up in 2011!

8 The name 'Rugby' comes from the fact that the sport was played in a school located in the town of Rugby in England. True

Answers

Did you connect the sport to the number of players that play on a team during a match?



	Soccer	(11)
	Hurling	(15)
	Football	(15)
	Basketball	(5)
	Hockey	(11)

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