

Do the preparation task first. Then read the article and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

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| 1..... a gamer | a. on the internet |
| 2..... a viewer | b. the activity of playing computer games |
| 3..... a skill | c. a person who plays computer games |
| 4..... gaming | d. doing an activity as a job, not just as a hobby |
| 5..... online | e. somebody who watches a video |
| 6..... professional | f. about the body or using the body |
| 7..... physical | g. to put something in a group or category |
| 8..... to classify something (as something) | h. an ability to do something |

1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | There were 12,000 esports players in London last summer. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | Gaming is a popular activity in the UK. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | Football teams are taking esports competitions seriously. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Esports are boring to watch. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | All governments around the world consider esports as sports. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Esports players need to have some physical skills. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

2. Check your grammar: multiple choice

Circle the correct verb form to complete these sentences.

- Over 12,000 fans were at Wembley Arena in London, shouting and **cheer / to cheer / cheering** .
- Football teams employ gamers and send them around the world **compete / to compete / competing** in football video game competitions.

3. They do exercises like **type / to type / typing** something ...
4. ... and trying **type / to type / typing** it faster and faster.
5. They also study videos of other players and plan ways **beat / to beat / beating** them.
6. As well as **play / to play / playing** games, many people like watching games too.
7. You can **watch / to watch / watching** games on video sites like Twitch and YouTube.
8. They can be exciting **watch / to watch / watching** .
9. Esports players don't need **run, jump or throw / to run, jump or throw / running, jumping or throwing** .
10. The governments of China and South Korea do **classify / to classify / classifying** esports as sports.

Discussion

What games do you play? Do you think esports are games or sports?

Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learned in this lesson.