



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: DAVANTE ADAMS

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 3.
2. Adams struggled during his first years in the NFL. But he studied and worked hard. What do you do when you face challenges?
3. Which quarterback did Adams play with in college?
 - A. Aaron Rodgers
 - B. Joe Burrow
 - C. Derek Carr
4. Why did Adams become Aaron Rodgers's favorite target?
 - A. He was a slow runner.
 - B. He became a skilled catcher.
 - C. He stayed on just one side of the field.



5. What does **accurate** mean in the *Davante Adams* book?

*Rodgers was very **accurate**. He always threw the ball right where Adams could catch it.*

- A. good at aiming
- B. stronger than most people
- C. good at reading

6. What does **partners** mean in the *Davante Adams* book?

*They became great **partners**. Adams caught many touchdown passes from Carr.*

- A. people who can't throw
- B. people who work together
- C. players on different teams



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: DAVANTE ADAMS

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. C
4. B
5. A
6. B



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: GIANNIS ANTETOKOUNMPO

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. Antetokounmpo has won many awards. Which one do you think is the most impressive?
3. Which NBA team drafted Antetokounmpo?
 - A. Milwaukee Bucks
 - B. Phoenix Suns
 - C. Los Angeles Lakers
4. Why could being skinny be a problem for an NBA player?
 - A. Skinny players can't shoot as well.
 - B. Skinny players can't run as fast.
 - C. Skinny players can be easier to block or push.



5. What does **all-around** mean in the *Giannis Antetokounmpo* book?

*Antetokounmpo became a great **all-around** player. He could block shots on defense and run fast to score on offense.*

- A. good at all parts of the game
- B. only good at scoring
- C. bad at rebounding

6. What does **dominate** mean in the *Giannis Antetokounmpo* book?

*Antetokounmpo continued to **dominate** the next year. He became his team's top scorer of all time.*

- A. get hurt or sick
- B. be unable to score
- C. play very well



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1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. A
4. C
5. A
6. C



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: JA'MARR CHASE

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 4.
2. Would you rather be a quarterback like Joe Burrow or a wide receiver like Ja'Marr Chase? Why?
3. When did Chase and Burrow first become teammates?
 - A. in high school
 - B. in college
 - C. in the NFL
4. Why would running fast be important for a wide receiver?
 - A. Wide receivers need to get past defenders.
 - B. Wide receivers need to tackle quarterbacks.
 - C. Wide receivers need to kick field goals.



5. What does **excelled** mean in the *Ja'Marr Chase* book?

*Besides football, Ja'Marr competed in basketball and track in high school. He **excelled** at all three sports.*

- A. did not like
- B. did not play
- C. was very good

6. What does **excited** mean in the *Ja'Marr Chase* book?

*Even so, fans were **excited**. They looked forward to more great seasons from their new star.*

- A. happy about what might happen
- B. afraid of what might happen
- C. thinking about the past



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1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. A
5. C
6. A



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: ANTHONY EDWARDS

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 3.
2. Which of Edwards's records do you think is most impressive? Why?
3. Which NBA team drafted Anthony Edwards?
 - A. Phoenix Suns
 - B. Minnesota Timberwolves
 - C. Memphis Grizzlies
4. Why would setting records at a young age be harder?
 - A. Young players often have better skills.
 - B. Young players don't know what records are.
 - C. Young players haven't played as many games.



5. What does **struggled** mean in the *Anthony Edwards* book?

*But his team **struggled**. Georgia won only half of its games.*

- A. had lots of success
- B. faced problems
- C. did not play games

6. What does **rookie** mean in the *Anthony Edwards* book?

*Edwards played well in his first NBA season. He finished second in **Rookie** of the Year voting.*

- A. a player in their first season in a league
- B. a player who scores very few points
- C. a player who listens to their coach



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: ANTHONY EDWARDS

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. C
5. B
6. A



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: SABRINA IONESCU

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. If you played basketball, would you focus on scoring, passing, or defending? Why?
3. Which WNBA team drafted Sabrina Ionescu?
 - A. Seattle Storm
 - B. New York Liberty
 - C. Minnesota Lynx
4. What made Ionescu a great all-around player?
 - A. She focused on scoring.
 - B. She focused on defense.
 - C. She focused on every part of the game.



5. What does **dominated** mean in the *Sabrina Ionescu* book?

*Ionescu **dominated** in college. No one could stop her from making plays.*

- A. made a lot of mistakes
- B. had a hard time winning
- C. played very well

6. What does **rough** mean in the *Sabrina Ionescu* book?

*Ionescu's first year in the WNBA was **rough**. She was often injured.*

- A. fast and easy
- B. full of problems
- C. full of success



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: SABRINA IONESCU

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. C
5. C
6. B



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: JUSTIN JEFFERSON

1. Write a few sentences describing some of the records Justin Jefferson set.
2. Jefferson often does the Griddy after scoring touchdowns. How would you celebrate if you scored a touchdown?
3. Which NFL team drafted Justin Jefferson?
 - A. Cincinnati Bengals
 - B. Minnesota Vikings
 - C. Tennessee Titans
4. Why would jumping high make Jefferson an exciting player?
 - A. High jumps help him catch more passes.
 - B. High jumps help him make more tackles.
 - C. High jumps help him block other players.



5. What does **record** mean in the *Justin Jefferson* book?

*In 2019, Jefferson broke the LSU **record** for most catches in a season.*

- A. the best team in the NFL
- B. the worst player on a team
- C. the best or fastest performance

6. What does **historic** mean in the *Justin Jefferson* book?

*His 2022 season was **historic**. He set Vikings records with 128 catches and 1,809 yards.*

- A. full of success
- B. slow and steady
- C. hard to explain



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: JUSTIN JEFFERSON

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. A
5. C
6. A



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: COOPER KUPP

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. Which of Kupp's awards do you think is most impressive? Why?
3. Which position does Kupp play?
 - A. defender
 - B. quarterback
 - C. wide receiver
4. Why would college football teams be less interested in small, thin players?
 - A. Smaller players are often faster and stronger.
 - B. Smaller players are often slower and weaker.
 - C. Smaller players rarely get hurt.



5. What does **athlete** mean in the *Cooper Kupp* book?

*He played basketball and football in high school. He was an All-State **athlete** in football.*

- A. a person who plays sports
- B. a person who cooks food
- C. a person who attends college

6. What does **comeback** mean in the *Cooper Kupp* book?

*Kupp made a huge **comeback** in 2019. He worked hard and became faster than ever.*

- A. a return to success
- B. a series of losses
- C. a big problem



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: COOPER KUPP

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. C
4. B
5. A
6. A



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: SYDNEY MCLAUGHLIN

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 3.
2. McLaughlin's whole family ran track. Do you think this helped her be successful? Why or why not?
3. In which event did McLaughlin set several world records?
 - A. the 4x400m relay
 - B. the 200m hurdles
 - C. the 400m hurdles
4. How many gold medals did McLaughlin win at the 2020 Olympics?
 - A. zero
 - B. two
 - C. four



5. What does **sprints** mean in the *Sydney McLaughlin* book?

*McLaughlin **sprints** toward the first hurdle. She leaps over it and keeps running.*

- A. moves quickly
- B. moves loudly
- C. goes backward

6. What does **delayed** mean in the *Sydney McLaughlin* book?

*But because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 Olympics were **delayed**. They took place in 2021 instead.*

- A. not held at any time
- B. held at an earlier time
- C. changed to a later time



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: SYDNEY MCLAUGHLIN

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. C
4. B
5. A
6. C



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: SHOHEI OHTANI

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. If you played baseball, would you rather hit or pitch? Why?
3. When did Ohtani stop playing in Japan?
 - A. 2013
 - B. 2017
 - C. 2021
4. Why would most baseball players focus on either hitting or pitching?
 - A. because the two jobs happen at different times
 - B. because the two jobs require different skills
 - C. because doing both is not possible



5. What does **athletic** mean in the *Shohei Ohtani* book?

*He had an **athletic** family. His father played amateur baseball.*

- A. good at sports
- B. having many people
- C. talking quietly

6. What does **impressed** mean in the *Shohei Ohtani* book?

*Ohtani quickly became an MLB star. Fans were **impressed** by his speedy pitches and huge hits.*

- A. bored and angry
- B. shocked and scared
- C. pleased and surprised



ANSWER KEY FOR SPORTS SUPERSTARS: SHOHEI OHTANI

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. B
5. A
6. C



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: JAYSON TATUM

1. Write a few sentences that explain the main ideas of Chapter 3.
2. Do you think Jayson Tatum made the right choice when he left college after one year? Why or why not?
3. Which team drafted Tatum?
 - A. the Brooklyn Nets
 - B. the Boston Celtics
 - C. the Golden State Warriors
4. If each quarter is 12 minutes, how long is a full NBA game?
 - A. 48 minutes
 - B. 32 minutes
 - C. 24 minutes



5. What does **excelled** mean in the *Jayson Tatum* book?

*Tatum **excelled** in his first year with the Celtics. He made 105 three-pointers that season.*

- A. was very good at something
- B. was a fast runner
- C. was very bad at something

6. What does **invited** mean in the *Jayson Tatum* book?

*In 2018, Kobe Bryant **invited** Tatum to a workout. The former NBA star helped Tatum do drills.*

- A. gave someone money
- B. asked someone to do something
- C. told someone to stay away



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1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. A
5. A
6. B



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: MAX VERSTAPPEN

1. Write a few sentences describing the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. Would you rather drive a go-kart or a Formula 1 car? Why?
3. Which F1 team did Verstappen first join?
 - A. Red Bull Racing
 - B. Scuderia Toro Rosso
 - C. Constructors' Champion
4. How many podium finishes did Verstappen have during his first season with Red Bull?
 - A. one
 - B. six
 - C. seven



5. What does **division** mean in the *Max Verstappen* book?

*KZ is the top **division** of go-kart racing. It has the most-skilled drivers.*

- A. racetrack
- B. group of drivers
- C. kind of car

6. What does **attached** mean in the *Max Verstappen* book?

*He grew up in a part of Belgium that's very close to the Netherlands. So, Verstappen feels **attached** to both countries.*

- A. stuck
- B. connected
- C. angry



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1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. C
5. B
6. B



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

SPORTS SUPERSTARS: T. J. WATT

1. Write a few sentences that explain the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. Do you prefer to play offense or defense? Why?
3. What position does Watt play in the NFL?
 - A. linebacker
 - B. quarterback
 - C. tight end
4. How could hitting the quarterback's arm cause a fumble?
 - A. The quarterback couldn't see his teammates.
 - B. The quarterback could forget the next play.
 - C. The quarterback could lose his grip on the ball.



5. What does **athletic** mean in the *T. J. Watt* book?

*He was smart and **athletic**. He could spin and push past blockers.*

- A. able to read quickly
- B. able to move with strength and speed
- C. able to dance to music

6. What does **celebrate** mean in the *T. J. Watt* book?

*The Steelers raise their arms and cheer. Soon they have more to **celebrate**.*

- A. feel very sad about something
- B. feel happy about something
- C. give something away



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2. Answers will vary
3. A
4. C
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6. B