



The Paralympic Games

Read each question carefully. Remember to write in full sentences, and think about your punctuation and capitalisation. That's gold medal-winning work!

1. What do you remember about Dr. Ludwig Guttmann? Why is he considered the "father of the Paralympics?"

2. Why are there 13 versions of the 100m freestyle at the Paralympic Games? Choose the **most precise** answer.

- ☐ Because there are so many excellent swimmers
- ☐ Because there are different kinds of disabilities
- ☐ There are different kinds of disabilities, and to keep it fair, people with similar abilities need to compete against each other.



3. What kind of person do you think would excel at goalball? Use what you remember about the sport to help you think of character traits that would be suited to it.



Paralympics Australia

4. Explain what the Greek word 'para' means and how it relates to the Olympics.

5. Aussie wheelchair athlete and long-distance racer Madison de Rozario has won two gold, three silver and one bronze Paralympic medals. She has won the New York and London marathons, is a fierce advocate for people with disabilities and has even been immortalised as a Barbie doll. Madison has used a wheelchair since the age of four when she contracted a spinal cord disease. What sort of person do you think she is? Why?

6. Imagine you got to interview Madison de Rozario for Squiz Kids. What top 3 questions would you ask her?



Women's Health

7. An organisation called "Wethe15" was started during the Tokyo Paralympics to help end unfair treatment of people with disabilities. Did you know that 15% of the world's population, or 1.2 billion people, have a disability? Do you know anyone who has a disability? Why do you think some people treat people with disabilities unfairly or differently? What can we do to make sure everyone is treated fairly?


