

OLYMPIC HAMSTER

Usually, I decide by myself what my blog posts will be about. Occasionally, though, Samantha and Diana interrupt my blogging with an idea of their own. Well, my blog *is* hosted on their website, so I suppose I do have to listen to them sometimes. Anyway, they asked me if I could do a special blog post about the Olympic Games. They said what they wanted was an interesting, well-researched piece that would give my readers a new and insightful perspective on this great sporting event. That was why I decided to try and become an Olympic hamster.

Trampoline



Well, I didn't realise that you're not supposed to put your trampoline directly under a light fitting.

Diving



Does slipping and falling off the 10m platform count as diving?

Hurdles



It was only after I thought I might actually be quite a talented hurdler that Leo pointed out to me that you are supposed to leap over the hurdles, not run through them.

Rhythmic Gymnastics



No, I did not know you could get tied up in the ribbon, either.

Triathlon



After swimming and cycling, I did my best to start running.

Whilst I would not want my readers to think that I am a quitter, after the trampoline, diving, hurdles, rhythmic gymnastics and triathlon, I began to think that I might not be an Olympic hamster. You, my loyal readers, might protest that it could be that I have just not yet found the right sport. I suppose I ought to spend more time looking, but even if I did find the right sport, I would still need to put in a lot of hard work. I am still recovering from the triathlon, and I simply don't want to tire myself out so much that I sleep through my chance to watch the 2012 Olympic Games live on television.

The moral of this blog post, dear readers, is *not* that I am not an Olympic hamster. That would be the moral of a quitter, and this hamster is not a quitter. The moral of this blog post is that anyone who wishes to become a successful athlete will first need to find the right sport and will then need to do a lot of hard work. The fact is that becoming so good at a sport that you make it look effortless takes an enormous amount of effort (and dedication and determination). So, Olympians of 2012, I salute you. You have true grit.



Go Team GB!!!

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