

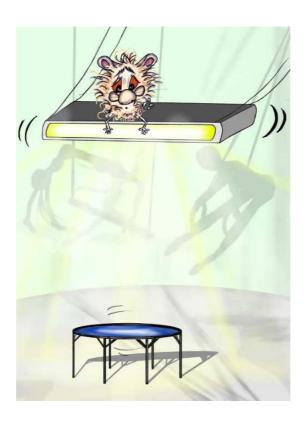
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OLYMPIC HAMSTER

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.



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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.



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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.



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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!!!

Harrison Hamster I 27th July 2012