

Talking Sport



Week - 18

British Judo

Aim of the game

1) Potential

In the video Ben used the word 'potential' which means there is a good possibility of something happening:

"There is potential for a large number of injuries."

'Potential' can be used as a noun:

e.g. Tim has the potential to be a successful businessman.

'Potential' can also be used as an adjective:

e.g. There are a lot of potential buyers coming to visit the house this afternoon.

Now read the sentences below and decide whether the word 'potential' is used as a noun or as an adjective.

1. This house has the potential to be a beautiful home.
(noun/adjective)
2. There are a number of potential dangers in a factory.
(noun/adjective)
3. I want to achieve my full potential and have a great career.
(noun/adjective)
4. His new business has many potential problems. (noun/adjective)

2) 'Game' idioms

In the video Ben used the phrase 'aim of the game' which refers to the purpose of the game or sport.

"The aim of the game is to launch someone through the air and land them on their back."

Here are some idioms with the word 'game'.

raise your game:	to try to improve the way you are doing something
a game plan:	a plan to achieve something
be ahead of the game:	to be in front of your competitors
two can play that game:	something you say when you plan on treating someone the way they treated you (usually bad)

Now complete the sentences with the correct idiom. The form of the phrase may need to be changed.

1. You will need to make more effort and improve how you are doing things. You need to _____ if you want to stay in this job.
2. In order to succeed in business you need to think of how other companies are doing things and _____.
3. The new _____ is to expand the business in Asia.
4. I can't believe how he treated me, so unfairly! Well _____.

Answers

1) Potential

1. This house has the potential to be a beautiful home.
Answer: noun
2. There are a number of potential dangers in a factory.
Answer: adjective
3. I want to achieve my full potential and have a great career.
Answer: noun
4. His new business has many potential problems.
Answer: adjective

2) 'Game' idioms

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2. In order to succeed in business you need to think of how other companies are doing things and be ahead of the game.
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Script

Presenter

Hi I'm Natalie and welcome to Talking Sport.

Today we will be hearing about judo and learning the word 'potential' and the phrase 'aim of the game'.

Judo is a martial art that started in Japan.

This week let's hear about judo from a member of the British Judo team.

Ben Ashworth is a physiotherapist for the team and helps treat and prevent the judo player's muscles injuries.

Let's hear from Ben.

Listen for the word 'potential' and the phrase 'aim of the game'.

Clip

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Presenter

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Presenter

Ben said there is a potential for a large number of injuries in judo.

potential

This word means there is a good possibility of something happening.

So in judo there is a good possibility for a large number of injuries to happen.

Ben used the phrase 'aim of the game'.

Aim of the game refers to the purpose of the game or sport.

Ben said the aim of the game in judo is to launch someone through the air and land them on their back.

Well we have heard a bit more about judo and learnt the word 'potential' and the phrase 'aim of the game'.

Let's listen to people in London using the word 'potential'.

Vox pops

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I think I have the potential to do well in my exams.

I think I have the potential to become a professor.

On screen

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Presenter

I'm Natalie and that's all from Talking Sport.

See you next time.