

Talking Sport

Week – 30
Olga Kharlan
Fencer



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1) Phrases with 'show'

In the video we heard the phrase 'just for show':

"Olga's silverware isn't just for show. Her success also means she can leave her family's small flat behind."

'Just for show' means that something is for appearance rather than for use.

Below are some more phrases with the word 'show':

steal the show:	to get all the praise and attention at an event
show someone the ropes:	to explain how to do something, usually a job
put something on show:	to display something publically

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

1. A: Is John starting with the department today?
B: Yes, can you _____?
2. A: Did you hear that some of Leonardo Da Vinci's paintings are being _____ at a gallery in London?
B: Yes! I am going to try and get tickets.
3. The first band _____ at the festival over the weekend. Everyone was talking about their brilliant performance.

2) Phrases with 'success'

In the video we heard about Olga's success:

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Below are some more phrases with the word 'success':

a recipe for success:	something which is likely to be successful
a success story:	something or someone that has achieved great success
be a victim of your own success:	to have problems due to your success

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1. A: I really want to lose weight.
B: Well the _____ is to exercise regularly and eat healthily.
- 2: Sometime famous people become _____.
They can lose their privacy and right to a normal life.
3. The author of the Harry Potter books J.K. Rowling is a real _____.

Answers

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1. A: Is John starting with the department today?
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2. A: Did you hear that some of Leonardo Da Vinci's paintings are being put on show at a gallery in London?
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2) Phrases with 'success'

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B: Well the recipe for success is to exercise regularly and eat healthily.
- 2: Sometime famous people become victims of their own success. They can lose their privacy and right to a normal life.
3. The author of the Harry Potter books J.K. Rowling is a real success story.

Script

Presenter

Hi I'm Natalie and welcome to Talking Sport.

Today we are hearing about a fencer from Ukraine and learning the word 'glory'.

Olga Kharlan from Ukraine is one of the world's best fencers.

She won a team gold medal in the last Olympics in Beijing.

This week BBC reporter Nicola Pearson has been to meet Olga, who has been able to build her own house from her winnings.

Listen for the word 'glory' and see if you can hear what Olga is leaving behind.

Clip

Olga Kharlan, already a national hero and now Ukraine's brightest hope for Olympic glory in London. Inside her parent's one bed apartment, where Olga still lives some of the time, she showed me the souvenirs and trophies of her success. Olga's silverware isn't just for show. Her success also means she can leave her family's small flat behind. Using her winnings to build this. It's big! Yeah. And all because of fencing? Yeah.

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Presenter

We heard the word **glory**.

Glory means fame, praise and thanks which you earn from doing something well.

Olga is "Ukraine's brightest hope for Olympic **glory**".

Did you hear what Olga is leaving behind?

Yes, her family's small flat as with her winnings she has been able to build her family a big house.

Well we have heard about Olga and learnt the word **glory**, now let's listen to some people in London using this word.

Vox pops

My favourite footballer led his team to **glory** on Saturday, winning the league.

I felt a moment of **glory** when I got the high exam results this year.

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On screen

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

I'll see you next time.