Usain Bolt

Seviye A2 · Okuma · Konuşma

Warm-up

- Who is the fastest person in your class?
- Which sports do you like watching on TV?
- Can you name an Olympic sport?

Reading

Usain Bolt was born on 21 August 1986 in a small village in Jamaica. When he was a boy, he loved playing cricket and football. He was tall and very fast, so he started running races at school.

Bolt became the fastest man in the world. In 2009, in Berlin, he ran 100 metres in only 9.58 seconds! He also ran 200 metres in 19.19 seconds in the same city. These were new world records.

Bolt won the 100 metres and the 200 metres at three Olympic Games: Beijing in 2008, London in 2012 and Rio de Janeiro in 2016. His nickname was “Lightning Bolt”. After his races, he often did a famous pose: he pointed to the sky like a flash of lightning. Children all over the world copied it.

Bolt stopped running in 2017, but people still remember him as one of the greatest sports stars in history.

Vocabulary

English	Türkçe	Example
fast	hızlı	*My brother is a fast swimmer.*
race	yarış	*She won the race at school.*
world record	dünya rekoru	*He broke the world record.*

Olympic Games	Olimpiyat Oyunları	*The Olympic Games happen every four years.*
nickname	lakap	*His nickname is “Speedy”.*
pose	poz	*Make a funny pose for the photo!*
lightning	şimşek	*We saw lightning in the sky.*

Language focus

Kalıp	Örnek
En üstünlük (kısa sıfat + -est)	fast → the fastest / tall → the tallest
En üstünlük (great, good)	great → the greatest / good → the best
Düzensiz fiiller	run → ran, win → won, become → became

Discussion

1. Who is the best sports star in Türkiye, in your opinion?
2. Do you like running? Why or why not?
3. What sport would you like to try?

Tasks

Choose the correct answer. *(Doğru seçeneği işaretleyin.)*

1. Where was Usain Bolt born?

a) In the USA
b) In England
c) In Jamaica
d) In Brazil

Fill in the blanks. *(Boşlukları doldurun.)*

2. Usain Bolt became the _____ (fast) man in the world.

3. In 2009, he _____ (run) 100 metres in 9.58 seconds.

Write True (T) or False (F). *(Doğru mu yanlış mı?)*

4. As a boy, Bolt loved playing cricket and football. ( )

5. Bolt won the 100 metres at only one Olympic Games. ( )

Match the items. *(Eşleştirin.)*

6. Match the words with their meanings.

1. race ( )
2. nickname ( )
3. world record ( )
4. lightning ( )

a) lakap
b) yarış
c) şimşek
d) dünya rekoru

Put the parts in the correct order. *(Doğru sıraya koyun.)*

7. Put the words in order.

   the / He / in / was / man / world. / the / fastest

Speaking tasks. *(Konuşma görevleri: sınıfta sözlü yapın.)*

8. Tell your friend about your favourite sports star. Use at least two past tense verbs and one superlative.