

Games glossary



This text explains some key words to do with ball games like rounders, tennis and basketball. Some of the words may be new to you, so read carefully.

backboard board which holds the shooting ring for basketball

backhand stroke tennis shot played with the back of the racket

backstop fielder who stands behind the batter in rounders

bat hitting the ball in rounders

bounce pass pass where the ball hits the ground first

bowl throwing the ball to the batter

chest pass throwing the ball from chest high in a game of basketball

cool-down exercises to relax your body after a game

dribble/dribbling bouncing the ball and running in basketball

field catching and throwing the ball in rounders

forehand stroke tennis shot played with the front of the racket

hamstring large group of muscles at top, back, of your legs

hitting T stand for the ball to sit on in rounders

joints parts of your body where two bones join together, like your shoulders, elbows and knees

muscles parts of your body which help you to bend and stretch

overarm pass throwing the ball with your arm up high

ring circle which the ball must go through to score in basketball

rounder making a score in rounders. At the end of a game, the team with the most rounders wins.

serve way of starting a game of short tennis

shooting trying to throw the ball at the backboard so it drops through the ring in basketball

stretching moving your joints and muscles as much as you can

underarm throw throwing a ball up with your arm starting down low

volley hitting a ball before it hits the ground

warm-up way of moving to get your body ready for exercise

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1 A glossary is like a small (ring one):

index dictionary introduction summary.

1 mark

2 The glossary is arranged alphabetically. (ring one)

True / False

1 mark

3 a) If the word 'penalty' were added to this glossary, where would it fit?

It would fit after _____ and before _____.

1 mark

b) The word 'head' would fit after _____ and before _____.

1 mark

4 Why does 'backstop' come before 'bat'?

1 mark

5 Which tennis shot is the opposite of a backhand stroke?

1 mark

6 What is the name of the group of muscles at the rear, top of your legs?

1 mark

7 In which game might you perform a chest pass?

1 mark

8 Find two entries that describe ways of exercising rather than playing a sport.

2 marks

9 In this text, are the words 'bat' and 'field' nouns or verbs? Explain how you know this.

2 marks