

Приложение к уроку “Extreme Sports”
(Комментарии к презентации “Extreme Sports in Britain”)

Слайд 1. It is known that sport plays an important role in Great Britain. The British are not only sporty, but also they are very inventive.

Слайд 2. Once in 1980 landowner Gordon Green from the town Llanurtid in Wales heard an argument in the pub. It was about if the man could outrun the horse. Green decided to test it. So he organized annual marathon “A man against the horse”. Its distance formed 22 miles (42,195 km).

Слайд 3. Horses play in a couple with their riders. A rider and a horse have been winning the race for 24 years. But in 2004 the Briton Hue Lobb overcame the distance in 2 hours 5 minutes and 19 seconds. He won 25000 pounds.

Слайд 4. Extreme ironing. This unusual kind of sport appeared in 1997 in English town Lester. It was founded by the Briton Phil Shaw with nickname “Steam”. Phil worked in the local factory. He ironed clothes there, and at free time he tried rock climbing. Once he decided to combine everyday routine and keen feelings.

Слайд 5. Extreme ironers are able to iron clothes very well in very bad conditions: in the mountains, under the water, in the wood, on the snow and even on the bike.

Слайд 6. Ironing on the bike is real extreme.

Слайд 7. Zorbing. Zorb is a transparent plastic ball 3 metres in diameter. It has a camera for the passenger inside.

Слайд 8. Zorb is a ball for rolling down the hills, mountains and others. Its speed is about 36 km/hour. This entertainment is for a real extreme person.

Слайд 9. Running with a wife on the shoulders took place in Wales in 2012 and was one of the most important competitions. This sport came from Finland.

Слайд 10. The participants should run 253,5 metres with their wives on the shoulders overcoming different obstacles. The weight of the wife should be more than 49 kg. If it is not so, the participants will have a rucksack with some additional weight.

Слайд 11. Hockey on the one-wheel bike. There is a national league of hockey on the one-wheel bikes in Britain. It consists of ten teams. Competitions take place on the ground with firm plastic surface, but not on the ice arena. The main likeness with the usual hockey is gates and hockey sticks. Driving very masterly, extreme hockey players ride around the field and score a goal not colliding with each other.

Слайд 12. Cheese racing. The most popular cheese racing takes place every year on the slope of the mountain Kuperhill in the English town Gloster. A cheese is rolled down the top of the hill. It weighs 8 pounds (3,5 kg).

Слайд 13. And the participants of the racing roll down towards a cheese. The first man who crosses the finish line gets a cheese as the first prize. It's better to run down the hill (not roll down), but it's impossible because of the steep slope of the hill.