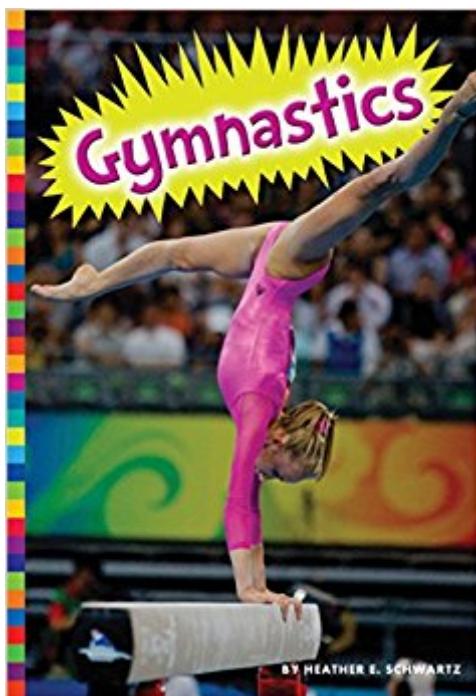


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Gymnastics (Summer Olympic Sports)



Synopsis

Once every four years, the best athletes gather at the Summer Olympic Games in tests of speed, strength, and teamwork. Learn about the most popular events and how they captivate audiences around the world. High-impact photography will engage readers, while the carefully leveled text will help struggling readers be successful. Presents information about gymnastics in the Olympics, including different kinds of gymnastic events, well-known gymnasts such as Gabrielle Douglas, and how gymnastics in the Olympics works today.

Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 2 - 4

Customer Reviews

Gr 2-4-Bold colors and exciting scenes will attract beginning readers to these introductions to Olympic sports, including trampoline, the newest gymnastic event. Track and Field covers running, jumping, and throwing, as well as all-around events, such as the men's decathlon and women's heptathlon. There is a good deal of oversimplification, but short sentences and interesting factoids will hold readers' attention. Men's and women's events are discussed; the cover of Combat Sports captures a fierce contest between women wrestlers. Swimming and Diving notes that many regard swimmer Michael Phelps and Chinese diver Guo Jingjing as tops in their sports. VERDICT With the approach of the 2016 Olympics, these strong books will be welcome additions. (c) Copyright

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Good overview of gymnastics for elementary aged kids. Could have more bio info for more of the current gymnasts, though.

The photos are lovely, but I ended up returning this. I was looking for an intro to gymnastics book for my 6yo nephew, but all of the intro/picture books I found featured girl gymnasts. I took a chance on this one since there was a picture of rings (equipment boys use) on the cover, but inside I found twice as many photos of girls than boys. In addition, I found the written content to be way too elementary for his age, with phrases like "Leah has the best score!" and "Kira is on the balance beam. She hops. She turns. She does not fall." I think it's more appropriate for a younger child. (NOTE: The product details list this appropriate for a 4-6 year old child whereas the School Library Journal review says it's for Grades 2-4--that's quite a discrepancy!)

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