

Max's Striking and Fielding Challenge

Learning objective: To understand the rules, tactics, and skills required for striking and fielding games.

Read each question carefully. Max the monkey is ready to see how much you know about games like rounders and cricket! Choose the best answer or write your answer clearly.

Answer Key: 1. A, 2. B, 3. True, 4. Fielding, 5. True, 6. C, 7. Bowler, 8. False, 9. Strike, 10. True. Max says: Keep practising your throwing and catching to become a superstar!

Word bank: fielder · batter · backstop · bowler · rounders · tactics · fielding · striking · wicket · base

1. 1. What is the main job of the batter in a striking and fielding game? A) To sit down, B) To hit the ball and score runs*, C) To catch the ball, D) To run backwards. (1 mark)

2. 2. Which player is responsible for stopping the ball after it has been hit? A) The umpire, B) The fielder*, C) The captain, D) The spectator. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: You should always keep your eye on the ball when you are trying to catch it. (1 mark)

4. 4. What do we call the skill of stopping a ball that has been hit by the opposition? (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: In rounders, you must run around the bases in an anti-clockwise direction. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which piece of equipment is often used to strike the ball in a game? A) A hoop, B) A tennis racket, C) A bat*, D) A skipping rope. (1 mark)

7. 7. What is the name of the player who throws or delivers the ball to the batter? (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: It is helpful to stand with your legs wide apart and knees bent when waiting to catch a ball. (1 mark)

9. 9. If you are a fielder and the ball comes towards you, should you 'get behind' the ball or stand to the side? (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Communication with your teammates is important to decide who will catch a ball. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey playing a game of rounders in the park. Show him holding a bat, ready to hit the ball!



Extension challenge: Imagine you are the captain of a team. Write down two tactics you would use to make sure your fielders are in the best positions to stop the other team from scoring.