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1) When and where did the Olympics begin?

Over 2,700 years ago in Olympia

2) How often were the games held? Every 4 years.

3) Why were the games held? To honour the god Zeus.

4) What was given as a prize to the winners?

A wreath of leaves and a hero's welcome.

5) Why did messengers send a 'sacred truce'? It meant peace so that people could travel safely to Olympia.

6) What was the main event of the Olympics and what gruesome thing happened?

On the third day of the games, 100 oxen were sacrificed and burnt on the Altar of Zeus.