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# Jamaica sprinter Oblique Seville wins world 100m gold

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Jamaican sprinter
Oblique Seville has won the
100-metre gold medal at
the World Athletics
Championships in Tokyo. He
is the first Jamaican man to
win gold in a sprint event
since Usain Bolt, who took
first place in the 2016 Rio
Olympics. Bolt holds the

world record for the 100 metres with a time of 9.58 seconds. Seville won his gold in a personal best of 9.77 seconds. Bolt is Seville's hero and was watching the race with great excitement in the stands in Tokyo's National Stadium. It was a good night for Jamaica as Kishane Thompson finished just behind Seville to claim the silver medal and a one-two for the Caribbean nation. Thompson is the fastest man in the world this year.

Oblique Seville was ecstatic after his victory. He told reporters: "I feel really amazed and excited that the gold is coming home to Jamaica." He added: "I have proved that I am a true competitor, that I have the determination of a champion. But still, I was panicking...I knew if I had a strong finish, the others would not catch me." He was very happy to win in front of his compatriot Usain Bolt. Seville said: "It is just a tremendous feeling to compete in front of Usain here in Tokyo." He added that: "I have proved, in front of Usain, that I am a champion, and I am very proud of that." Jamaica's one-two finish signals a golden new era for Jamaican sprinting.

Sources: olympics.com / bbc.com / worldathletics.org

## Writing

Sprinting is the most exciting Olympics event. Discuss.

### Chat

Talk about these words from the article.

sprinter / gold medal / athletics / world record / hero / race / excitement / nation / ecstatic / victory / competitor / determination / champion / feeling / proud / era

### True / False

- Oblique Seville is the first Jamaican to win sprint gold since 2016. T / F
- 2) Oblique Seville broke the 100m world record with his run. T / F
- 3) Oblique Seville is Usain Bolt's all-time hero. T
- 4) Another Jamaican won the silver medal. T / F
- Seville said he was excited that the silver medal was going to Jamaica. T / F
- 6) Seville did not panic during his race. T / F
- 7) Seville was happy to win gold in front of Usain Bolt. T / F
- 8) The article says Jamaica's one-two was be good for Jamaican sprinting. T / F

## Synonym Match

(The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

win	a.	ido

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2.	excitement	b.	will power

#### **10. era** j. enthusiasm

### **Discussion - Student A**

- a) What do you think of sprinting?
- b) How good are you at running?
- c) When was the last time you ran really, really fast?
- d) What running event is your favourite?
- e) Who is your hero and why?
- f) What world record would you like to hold?
- g) Do you like watching athletics?
- h) What advice do you have for sprinters to run faster?

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### **Phrase Match**

- 1. the first Jamaican man to win gold
- 2. Bolt holds
- 3. great excitement in
- 4. Thompson finished just
- 5. the fastest man in the
- 6. Seville was ecstatic
- 7. I have proved that I am a true
- 8. if I had a strong finish, the others
- 9. Jamaica's one-two
- 10. a golden new era

### **Discussion - Student B**

- a) What do you think about what you read?
- b) What do you think of the 100 metres at the Olympics?
- c) Do you have a favourite sprinter?
- d) When was the last time you were ecstatic?
- e) How much of a competitor are you?
- f) Would you rather be a sprinter or a marathon runner?
- g) What are you proud of?
- h) What questions would you like to ask Oblique Seville?

## **Spelling**

- 1. win gold in a sprint teevn
- 2. a erapnosl best of 9.77 seconds
- 3. Bolt is Seville's <u>hroe</u>
- 4. watching the race with great <u>mxecteinte</u>
- 5. iamcl the silver medal
- 6. a one-two for the Caribbean ainnto
- 7. Oblique Seville was etcsatic after his victory
- 8. I am a true <u>oetictromp</u>
- 9. win in front of his itotprmaco Usain Bolt
- 10. It is just a rutdoemens feeling
- 11. I am very <u>upodr</u> of that
- 12. a golden new ear for Jamaican sprinting

### Answers - Synonym Match

1. f	2. j	3. a	4. c	5. i
6. d	7. h	8. b	9. g	10. e

- a. the stands
- b. for Jamaican sprinting
- c. world this year
- d. after his victory
- e. would not catch me
- f. in a sprint event
- g. finish
- h. competitor
- behind Seville
- i. the world record

# **Comprehension Questions**

Listen to / read the news article. Answer these questions. (Answers are on p. 27 of the 27-page PDF.)

- 1. In which city did Oblique Seville win his gold medal?
- 2. When was the last time a Jamaican man won a sprint gold?
- 3. What is the 100 metres world record?
- 4. Who was watching Oblique Seville from the stands?
- 5. Who is the fastest man in the world this year?
- 6. Where did Oblique Seville say the gold medal was going?
- 7. What did Oblique Seville say he has the determination to be?
- 8. What did Oblique Seville know would happen if he finished strongly?
- 9. Who did Oblique Seville like competing in front of?
- 10. What does Jamaica's one-two finish signal?

## **Speaking - Athletics**

Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- 100 metres
- 4x100 metres relay
- Pole vault
- High jumpJavelin
- Long jumpDecathlon
- Marathon
- Marau

#### **Answers - True False**

1	Т	2	F	3	F	4	Т	5	F	6	F	7	Т	8	Т

Answers to Phrase Match and Spelling are in the text.