

QUIZ – MILANO CORTINA 2026 OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES

The Olympic Games are unique – athletes from all over the world take part. Their exploits are followed, in the venues or from afar, by hundreds of millions of spectators. The XXV Olympic Winter Games will be hosted in Milan and Cortina d'Ampezzo from 6 to 22 February 2026, taking place across three regions in Italy. This will be the country's third time hosting the Winter Olympics, after Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956 and Turin 2006.

This document is designed to complement the Milano Cortina 2026 Olympic Winter Games poster set. It contains two quizzes, one with multiple choice and the other with gaps to fill in. The answers to the 15 questions can all be found in the poster and could be used as part of a written comprehension exercise.

- If you want to print the multiple-choice version of the quiz, print pages 2 and 3.
- If you want to print the “fill-in-the-gaps” version of the quiz, print pages 4 and 5.
- For the answers and a short explanation, see pages 6 to 8.

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1 When did Italy first host the Olympic Winter Games?

- A** 1960
- B** 2006
- C** 1956

2 At the 1956 Winter Games, who became the first female athlete to take the Olympic oath?

- A** Bebe Vio
- B** Giuliana Chenal-Minuzzo
- C** Carolina Kostner

3 How many times will Italy have hosted the Olympic Winter Games after the 2026 edition?

- A** Three
- B** Two
- C** One

4 Which discipline is making its Olympic Winter Games debut in 2026?

- A** Freestyle skiing
- B** Ski mountaineering
- C** Skate jumping

5 Which competition venue from the Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956 Winter Games is being reused for the 2026 edition?

- A** Cortina Olympic Ice Stadium
- B** Milano Santagiulia Ice Hockey Arena
- C** Milano San Siro Olympic Stadium

6 Which discipline has been on the Winter Games programme since the first edition in Chamonix in 1924?

- A** Snowboarding
- B** Ski jumping
- C** Freestyle skiing

7 What percentage of athletes competing in the Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics will be female?

- A** 8%
- B** 24%
- C** 47%

8 Which new freestyle skiing moguls event will be making its debut at Milano Cortina 2026?

- A** Relay
- B** Dual moguls (men and women)
- C** Mixed team

9 What's unique about Milo, the mascot for the Milano Cortina 2026 Paralympic Winter Games?

- A** He was born without a paw.
- B** He's a hedgehog.
- C** He prefers the city to the mountains.

10 What do the Milano Cortina 2026 Olympic and Paralympic torches have in common?

- A** They're both the same colour.
- B** They can both go underwater.
- C** They're both reusable.

11 What visual element makes up the Milano Cortina 2026 emblem?

- A** A snow-capped mountain
- B** The number 26 written on a fogged-up window
- C** A hashtag #

12 Which women's ski jumping event is being added to the programme at the 2026 Winter Games?

- A** Individual large hill
- B** Individual normal hill
- C** Super Team

13 Which historic venue will be hosting the Olympic Closing Ceremony?

- A** Verona Olympic Arena
- B** Milan San Siro Olympic Stadium
- C** Rome Colosseum

14 Milano Cortina 2026 will be the first Winter Games to take place across several regions. Which regions are they?

- A** Piedmont, Tuscany and Sardinia
- B** Aosta Valley, Lombardy and Sicily
- C** Lombardy, Veneto and Trentino-Alto Adige

15 Which Milano Cortina 2026 venue will become a university campus after the Games as part of the sustainability and legacy plan?

- A** Milan Santagiulia Arena
- B** Milan Olympic Village
- C** Milan Ice Park

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V_____

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C 1956

In 1956, in Cortina d'Ampezzo

Explanation: Italy first hosted the Olympic Winter Games in 1956, in Cortina d'Ampezzo.

2 At the 1956 Winter Games, who became the first female athlete to take the Olympic oath?

B Giuliana Chenal-Minuzzo

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Explanation: At the Opening Ceremony of the 1956 Winter Olympics, Italian Alpine skier Giuliana Chenal-Minuzzo, a bronze medallist at Oslo 1952, became the first female athlete to take the Olympic oath. Ten other women have taken the oath since then.

3 How many times will Italy have hosted the Olympic Winter Games after the 2026 edition?

A Three

Three

Explanation: Italy will have hosted three editions of the Winter Games: Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956, Turin 2006 and Milano Cortina 2026. Milano Cortina 2026 will continue the tradition of blending legacy and modern innovation to build a sustainable Olympic future.

4 Which discipline is making its Olympic Winter Games debut in 2026?

B Ski mountaineering

Ski mountaineering

Explanation: After featuring at the Lausanne 2020 Youth Olympic Games, ski mountaineering (or skimo), which sees athletes complete uphill and downhill sections both on skis and on foot, will be making its first appearance at the Olympic Winter Games at Milano Cortina 2026.

5 Which competition venue from the Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956 Winter Games is being reused for the 2026 edition?

A Cortina Olympic Ice Stadium

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Explanation: The historic Cortina Olympic Ice Stadium, which staged the Opening Ceremony of the 1956 Winter Olympics, will host the curling and wheelchair curling competitions at the Milano Cortina 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, respectively.

6 Which discipline has been on the Winter Games programme since the first edition in Chamonix in 1924?

B Ski jumping

Ski jumping

Explanation: This spectacular discipline has featured at every Winter Olympics since the first edition, Chamonix 1924. It involves skiing down a ramp and landing as far away as possible.

7 What percentage of athletes competing in the Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics will be female?

C 47%

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Explanation: At the Milano Cortina 2026 Olympic Winter Games, a record 47% of the athletes competing will be female – 1.6% more than at Beijing 2022. This increasing gender parity is also reflected in the number of women's events: 50 out of a total of 116.

8 Which new freestyle skiing moguls event will be making its debut at Milano Cortina 2026?

B Dual moguls (men and women)

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Explanation: For the first time, there will be a dual moguls event for men and women, requiring speed, technique and synchronisation.

9 What's unique about Milo, the mascot for the Milano Cortina 2026 Paralympic Winter Games?

A He was born without a paw.

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Explanation: Stoats Tina and Milo are the mascots for the Milano Cortina 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, respectively. Despite being born without a paw, Milo learned to walk using his tail and overcome any obstacle.

10 What do the Milano Cortina 2026 Olympic and Paralympic torches have in common?

C They're both reusable.

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Explanation: The Olympic and Paralympic torches are made in Italy, in Milan, from recycled aluminium. In what will be a first for Games torches, they can be reused up to 10 times.

11 What visual element makes up the Milano Cortina 2026 emblem?

B The number 26 written on a fogged-up window

The number 26

Explanation: The number 26 is traced with a finger on a fogged-up window. This simple, transparent symbol opens the door to other worlds and reveals a more sustainable and inclusive future through sport.

12 Which women's ski jumping event is being added to the programme at the 2026 Winter Games?

A Individual large hill
[Large hill](#)

Explanation: Female athletes have taken part in the ski jumping normal hill event since the 2014 Winter Games. At Milano Cortina 2026, they will also be competing in the individual large hill (90m) event.

13 Which historic venue will be hosting the Olympic Closing Ceremony?

A Verona Olympic Arena
[Verona Olympic Arena](#)

Explanation: The Milano Cortina 2026 Closing Ceremony will be held in the Verona Arena, the famous Roman amphitheatre that continues to host shows and concerts.

14 Milano Cortina 2026 will be the first Winter Games to take place across several regions. Which regions are they?

C Lombardy, Veneto and Trentino-Alto Adige
[Lombardy](#), [Veneto](#) and [Trentino-Alto Adige](#)

Explanation: The 2026 Olympic Winter Games are the first to have two hosts, Milan and Cortina. The event will be taking place across three regions in Italy: Lombardy, Veneto and Trentino-Alto Adige, all of which have expertise in organising winter sports competitions.

15 Which Milano Cortina 2026 venue will become a university campus after the Games as part of the sustainability and legacy plan?

B Milan Olympic Village
Milan [Olympic Village](#)

Explanation: After providing accommodation for 1,500 athletes during the Games, the Milan Olympic Village will be converted into student housing and become a sustainable, self-sufficient community space complete with greenhouses and vegetable gardens.