

Medal Making



Tokyo 2020 Olympic medal design

In this art activity, you will have a chance to design and make an Olympic medal. This could be a design for all medals or for a specific sport.

The Olympics should have been hosted by Tokyo this year. This worldwide celebration of sport and community has been pushed back a year to 2021, when we will all have the chance to enjoy watching our favourite sporting events again.

To produce the medals for Tokyo2020 (2021), Japanese people donated their old mobile phones and electronic devices. The metal inside was used to make over 5,000 medals. A great recycling idea!

For the medal designs, Japanese people were invited to take part in a design competition.

What you will need:

- a copy of 'Art - Medal Design'
- Materials to make your own medal e.g. recycled materials, foil, card
- String, wool or ribbon

What to do:

1. First think carefully about what you will use to inspire your design. Could it be something that represents Tokyo? Will you show individual sports on your design? Which images could you use to represent the Olympics (e.g. Olympic rings, laurel wreaths)? Will there be any wording?
2. Use the **Art - Medal Design** sheet to design your own Olympic medal.
3. Think about how you could make a model of your medal. Tokyo used recycled materials (including metal from old phones) to make their medals, could you use recycled materials for your model? Label your design with the materials you will use.
4. Ready to create? Use your labelled design to make your own Olympic medal. Share your creations and designs on SeeSaw.

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