

2 Drafting

Now, you have to draft a biography of Guo Jingjing.

Text Type: Biography  Reader(s): School magazine readers 

Tone: Semi-formal  Tense(s): Past & present tenses 

Think of a catchy title.

- What is the title of the biography?
- Who are you going to write about?
- What is she good at?

_____ (title)

Whenever we talk about _____ (sports), we think of _____ (name of sports star).

How did she spend most of her childhood?

Pay attention to the years given and find out the related information from the timeline.

- Where was she born?
- How tall and heavy is she?
- When did she start to learn to dive?

Guo Jingjing was born in _____ (place).

She is 5 feet 4 inches _____ (adjective) and _____ (verb) 50 kg. She took up diving when _____ (clause), so she spent most of her childhood _____ (further details). _____ (age) years old, she was chosen to dive for the _____ (name) Team. It was not until 1996 that she first took part in _____.

- What international games did she join?
- What prizes did she win?

It is no exaggeration to say that Guo is the Diving Queen. Some important competitions are _____ (names of competitions).

She _____ (prize / title & name of competition).

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Her remarkable achievements _____ (impact).

You can refer to the timeline and name some important events she joined.

Can you name two most important achievements of her?

What impacts do these achievements bring her?

- When did she retire?
- When did she get married?
- How is her current life?

In _____ (year), Guo _____ (action) _____ and _____ (action) in _____ (year). She _____ (description of current life).

You have used the past tenses to talk about Guo's early life and achievements. Now you should use the present tenses for her current life.