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The first Olympic games were held in 776 B.C. They ended about eleven hundred (years) later in A.D. 393. The ancient (Olympic) games were held once every four (years) to honor the Greek god Zeus. (All) war in Greece was stopped during (this) time so the athletes could attend (the) games safely.

The first games had (only) a foot race. As time went (on), more games were added. The games (lasted) about five days and were held (in) June or July. The games tested (skills) and strength. On the first day, (sacrifices) were held to the gods. On (the) second day, footraces were held. The (most) famous was the 220-yard race. Only (men) were in the races. Women were (not) allowed to watch the games because (the) runners did not wear clothes during (many) of the events. There was one (race) in which the contestants wore armor (however).

On other days, there were wrestling (and) boxing matches.

The Olympic games were (important) in Greece. It was like a (great) festival with much singing and dancing. (The) winners were given an olive crown (to) wear on their heads and were (invited) to lots of parties. Olympic winners (were) treated like movie and sports stars (of) today. Our modern Olympic games began (in) 1896, just over one hundred years ago.
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The first games had (treated, like, only) a foot race. As time went (on, god, sacrifices), more games were added. The games (or, held, lasted) about five days and were held (stopped, in, there) June or July. The games tested (other, days, skills) and strength. On the first day, (sacrifices, a, could) were held to the gods. On (the, every, just) second day, footraces were held. The (most, day, wore) famous was the 220-yard race. Only (given, winners, men) were in the races. Women were (not, wrestling, once) allowed to watch the games because (the, olympic, this) runners did not wear clothes during (foot, many, safely) of the events.

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