



100 Years of Winter Olympic Games
How have traditions changed?



2024 Olympic Torch

What is the torch relay?

- The Ancient Greeks lit a torch and held a relay for their Olympic Games to symbolize coming together and maintaining peace.
- In 1924, there was no torch or torch relay included in the Games.
- In 1936, the torch and torch relay were introduced to the modern Summer Olympics for the first time in Berlin, Germany. Their goal was to spread Nazi propaganda around the world.
- Oslo, Norway's 1952 Games were the first Winter Games to incorporate a torch and relay.
- This year's torch relay will be done with teams, rather than individuals, for the first time.

How have uniforms changed?



Team USA ski uniform



Team USA uniform 2022, from Women's Wear Daily

What powers the Games?

- In 1924, most electricity across the world was created in some way by coal. Coal is a nonrenewable resource and a fossil fuel. Burning it contributes to the amount of carbon in our atmosphere, altering temperatures and weather patterns.
- Paris intends to operate 100% on renewable energy, while halving the carbon emissions of previous Games.
 - Electricity will come from solar/wind farms, and biogas.
 - Everything will be connected to the energy grid network, rather than operating off diesel-powered generators.



Your turn!

