



# PODCAST TRANSCRIPT

Episode 27:

“The Tokyo Olympics 2020”

Duration: 07:25

How to use this transcript:

1. Print this transcript:

We try to reduce our paper consumption, but we really recommend that you print out this document.

2. Write on it and take notes:

Circle, highlight and note anything that you want. We have even provided space for you to do so!

3. Listen first **without** the transcript:

Don't worry about understanding every single word. Just focus on training your ears to the sound of English.

4. Listen again **with** the transcript:

Listen a second time with the transcript, pausing whenever you want to

<p>00:00</p> <p>00:35</p>	<p>Hello there, dear listeners!</p> <p>Welcome to episode 27 of <i>The Déclic Anglais</i> podcast. Finally, we are back!</p> <p>I hope you are all enjoying the summer and staying healthy. I'm Tom, your teacher here from Déclic Anglais. In today's episode, we have an interesting topic for you: the Olympic games! Yes, so sit back, relax, and enjoy.</p> <p>Don't forget, as with all of our episodes, there is a transcript available for every episode of our podcast. You can usually find the transcript in the notes for each episode, but if not, just go to <a href="http://www.declicananglais.com/podcast">www.declicananglais.com/podcast</a>.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
<p>00:59</p>	<p>Now, unless you are a hermit living isolated in the mountains, I'm sure that over the past few weeks, you have heard that the Tokyo Olympics have been taking place. These were the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics, but as you know, they were postponed (delayed) until 2021, due to the coronavirus epidemic. So, today I thought I would share some fun, interesting facts about the Olympic games.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
<p>01:34</p>	<p>Did you know that this is not the first time that Tokyo has hosted the Summer Olympics? They actually hosted the Olympics once before in 1964. This was the very first time that the Olympics were held in Asia. Tokyo is the only Asian city to have hosted the Olympic games twice.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>

01:59	<p>Did you know that Tokyo was also supposed to host the 1940 Summer Olympics? Yes, they were chosen to hold the summer games in 1936, but due to outbreak of the Second World War, they were ultimately cancelled.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
02:17	<p>Did you know that the Tokyo Olympics made history, by introducing four new sports? Yes, we now have karate (the Japanese martial art), skateboarding, sport climbing and surfing. Skateboarding, I find is a very interesting new addition, it's quite unknown to me.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
02:43	<p>Did you know that the Tokyo Olympics had a special focus on sustainability (<i>la durabilité</i>) sustainability? Yes, this is probably the greenest Olympic games ever! Tokyo actually repurposed old venues, they adapted old stadiums and sports facilities from their previous Olympic games in 1964. This way they reduced their environmental impact by not building new facilities.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>

<p>03:21</p> <p>03:47</p>	<p>Did you know that even the Olympic medals themselves were made from precious metals extracted from old, disused mobile devices? Between 2017 and 2019, Japanese people were asked to donate their disused (their old, broken) mobile devices. The Tokyo Olympic authorities actually received an amazing 6.21 million old mobile phones! WOW! The precious metals inside were then processed and recycled to create the medals.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
<p>04:07</p> <p>04:40</p>	<p>Did you know that the Japan National Stadium in Tokyo features a lot of wooden components? (<i>Wooden means that it is made of wood, wooden – en bois</i>). The architects took wood from all around Japan, and even built it in a way to maximise the wind, so that they wouldn't need so much air-conditioning. I told you: this really was the greenest Olympics ever!</p> <p>So, there you have interesting facts about the Tokyo Olympics, dear listeners. You can now go and wow (or amaze) your friends with all of this newfound knowledge!</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
<p>04:54</p>	<p>If you were listening carefully to this episode, maybe you heard me repeat the phrase: “did you know?” quite a few times. This is actually a very useful construction to remember. It's like the French <i>saviez-vous que...</i> It's good for when you want to share information or facts with your English-speaking friends.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>

05:23	<p>“Did you know that English is spoken by more than a billion people worldwide?”</p> <p>“Did you know that England’s Henry VIII had six wives?”</p> <p>You can even adapt it for work purposes!</p>
05:38	<p>You can say to a colleague “hey, did you know that we have a meeting at 2 o’clock?”</p> <p>And you could say it to a potential customer: “did you know that we are leaders in our field?”</p> <p>Try it, it’s a great tool to have in your English vocabulary!</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
06:00	<p>So, before we finish, dear listeners, I’d like to give a quick shoutout for <i>The Décllic Anglais Club</i>. If you are stuck, or unsure about what to study every week, join <i>The Décllic Anglais Club</i>. Every month, we create interactive, online learning materials based on episodes of this podcast. You can practice your listening and reading comprehension, you can improve your writing with dictation exercises (<i>les dictées</i>), and pre-recorded lessons show you how to improve your speaking.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>
06:43	<p>And if you’re really motivated, our <i>BOOST</i> level subscription will even give you access to our monthly, online conversation classes, where you can practice speaking English with other motivated learners, under the guidance of a qualified English teacher. Why not give it a go? You won’t regret it.</p> <p><i>(Ecrivez vos notes ici).</i></p>

07:06 So then, dear listeners. I hope you've enjoyed this episode of *The Déclic Anglais Podcast*. Thanks for listening and I look forward to seeing you back here next week.

Bye for now.

*(Ecrivez vos notes ici).*

## How did it go?

Take a moment to revisit the notes that you took.

List here 3 words or expressions (minimum) that you would like to remember from this podcast. We recommend that you consult a free, online dictionary like [www.wordreference.com](http://www.wordreference.com) to ensure that you have the correct definition and context.

### **WORDS/EXPRESSIONS THAT I WANT TO REMEMBER:**

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.