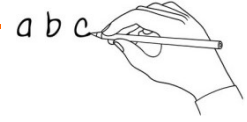




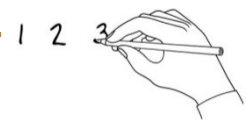
# The first marathon



## 1. What's the word?

Write the word under the pictures.

soldier	hill	mountain	moon	ship	women
children	old people	gate	tired	marathon	army
	soldier				

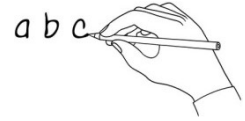


## 2. What's the order?

Watch the story and put the sentences in order.

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- The Greeks could not wait and attacked the Persian army.
- Pheidippides ran 40 kilometres to Athens to tell them that the Persians were coming.
- In 490 BC there was a big war between the Persians and the Greeks.
- The Persians tried to go to Athens to capture the Greek women, children and old people.
- From this great event, the first marathon of the modern Olympic Games was run in 1896.
- But the Spartans would not fight until there was a full moon.
- The Greeks sent a messenger, Pheidippides, to Sparta to get help.
- The Greeks won; 6,400 Persians were killed but only 192 Greeks died.



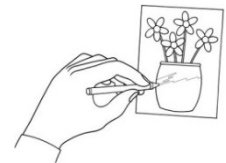
3. Fill it in!

Watch the story. Write the missing words in the sentences.

- a. The Greek soldiers waited on top of the hill.
- b. The Persian \_\_\_\_\_ waited on the plain of Marathon below.
- c. Pheidippides ran for two days over the \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Pheidippides returned to \_\_\_\_\_ alone.
- e. The Persians ran to their \_\_\_\_\_ and tried to escape.
- f. He arrived at the city gates very \_\_\_\_\_.
- g. The first marathon race was won by a \_\_\_\_\_ runner, Spiridon Louis.
- h. He was a \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Write and draw!

The marathon is an Olympic sport. What's your favourite Olympic sport? Do you like watching it or playing it? Write about it and draw a picture!



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