

Suggested activities based on Jesse Owens

Literacy

- Write the newspaper headlines the day Jesse came back to America with his four gold medals.
- Write three facts you now know about Jesse Owens after reading this book.
- Discuss what Jesse Owens might have had in his backpack at the Olympics.

Drama Activity

- Choose a volunteer from the class to be in the hot seat as Jesse Owens. What questions might Jesse Owens have been asked by reporters after winning his four gold medals.

P.E. Activity

- How many jumping jacks / star jumps/ hops can you do in one minute?

History Activities

- Where did the first Olympic Games take place?
- What is the meaning of the Olympics five ringed symbol?
- What is the Olympic torch a symbol of?
- Name five Irish Olympians and discover two facts about each of them.

SPHE Activity

- List the qualities needed to become a top Olympian.