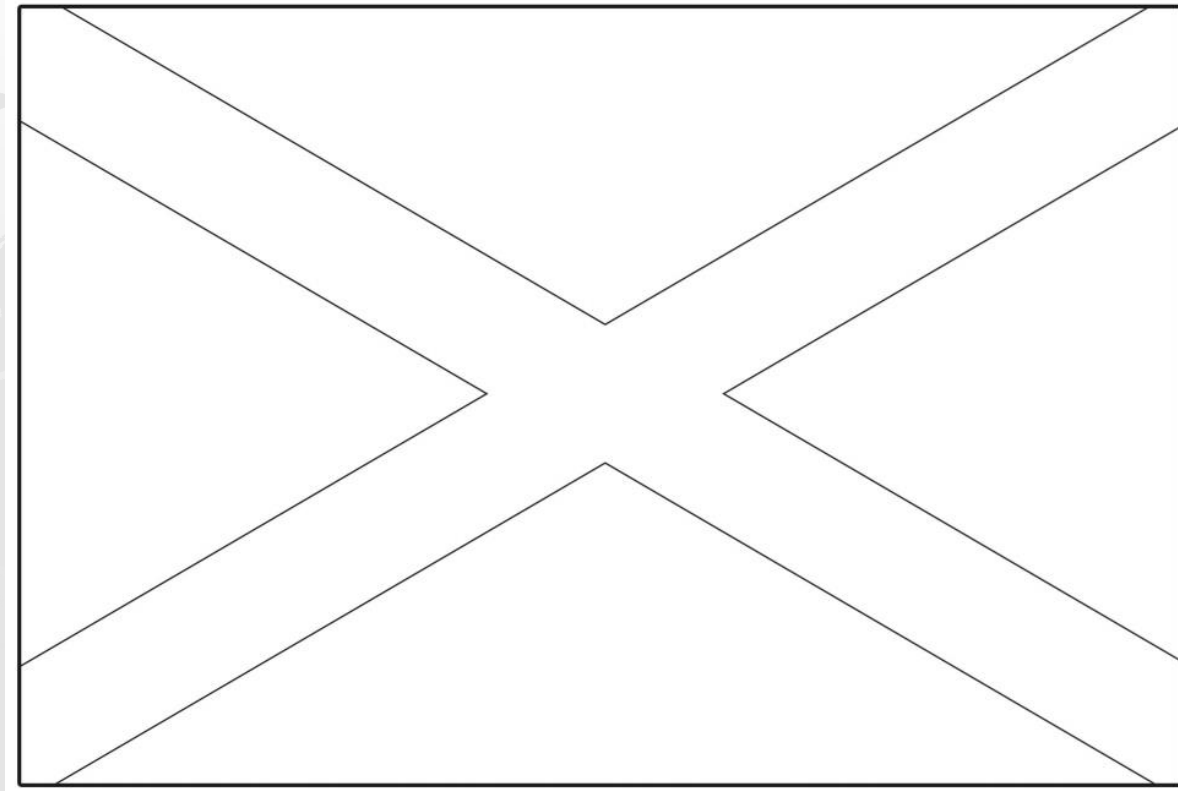


# JAMAICA



Ms. Carrington | Reading Intervention | Stage 3



Colour the Jamaican flag

# TASK 1

## BRAINSTORM

Look at the picture. Brainstorm a list of words you think of.



Words

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# TASK 2

## BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE

### GEOGRAPHIC FEATURES OF JAMAICA



#### Jamaica Facts | Geography

##### Where is Jamaica?

Jamaica is an island in the Caribbean Sea. The island of Jamaica is located south of Cuba and belongs to the North American continent.

Jamaica's capital city is called Kingston. This city is located in the Southeast of the island.



Map of Jamaica

- Can you find and label Jamaica and Australia on the map.





# TASK 3

## PREDICT

Look at the book cover. Make a prediction. What is this book about? Why do you think that?

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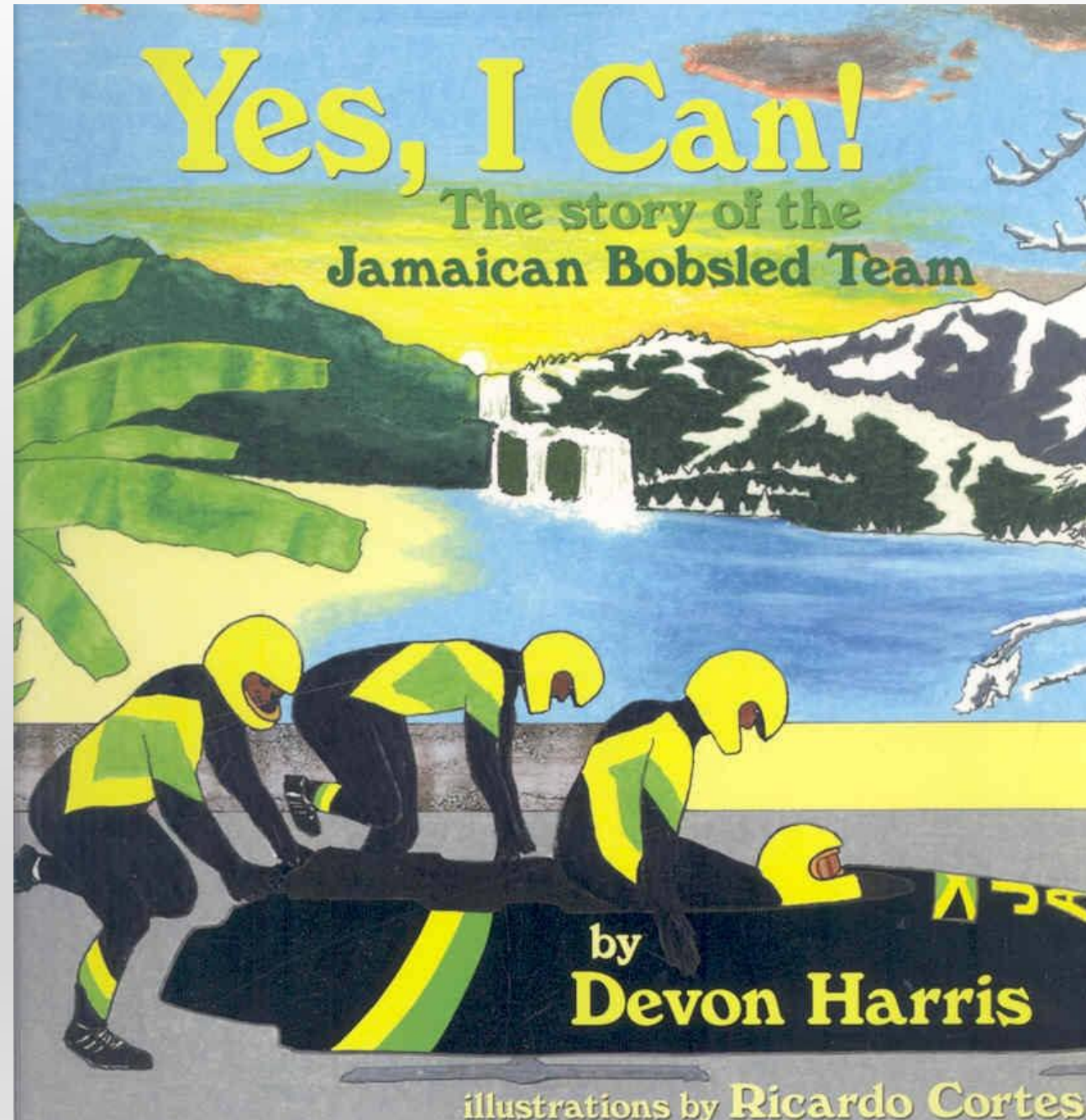
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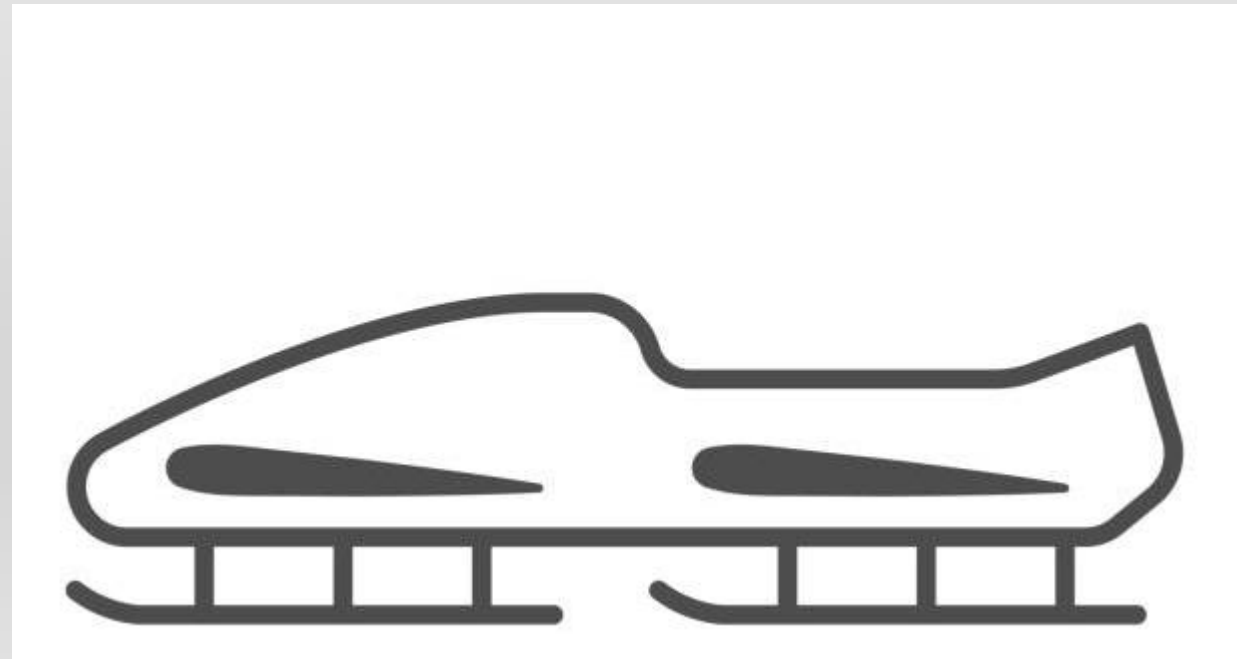
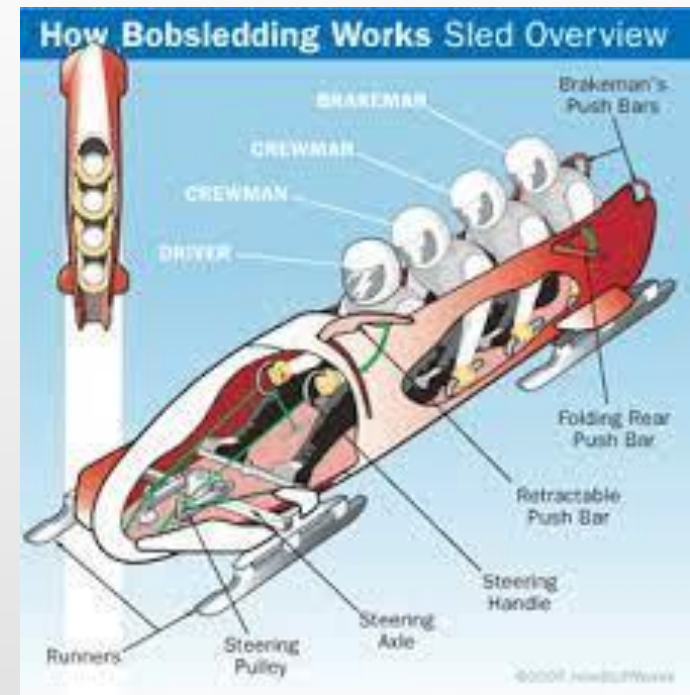
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# TASK 4: BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE

## WHAT IS A BOB SLED

Virtual Run



Activity: Label and decorate the bobsled



# TASK 5 INFERRING FROM TEXT

## WINTER OLYMPICS & THE JAMAICAN BOB SLED TEAM

Here are facts about Jamaica's bobsleighbing history:

1. Jamaica's debut in bobsleighbing at the Winter Olympics took place in 1988 at the games in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, which took place between February 13 and 28. That first team comprised Dudley Stokes, Michael White, Freddy Powell, Devon Harris and Chris Stokes.
2. A movie, **Cool Runnings**, was made based on Jamaica's entrance into the Winter Olympics for the first time.
3. The Jamaica team returned to the Winter Olympics in 1992, 1994, 1998, 2002, and 2014. In 2014, the nation qualified for the two-man bobsled at the Sochi Winter Olympics.



Questioning:

Why do you think it was so amazing that Jamaica was able to enter a bobsled team in the Winter Olympics?

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# TASK 6: AUTHORS PURPOSE

## DEVON HARRIS

Yes, I Can! is a book about the experiences of the original team members who, with a strong belief in themselves and each other as well as a "can do" attitude, became the first to represent their island nation in the Winter Olympic Games, which were held in Calgary, Canada in 1988.

The story teaches and reinforces to readers that, like the original Jamaican bobsled team, they too will achieve their dreams once they believe in themselves, work hard and persevere. The book focuses on following one's own dreams, eliminating fear to pursue those dreams and embracing opportunities despite the inevitable obstacles they will face. It is a true story the author wrote to inspire children to build a healthy and high self esteem. It encourages everyone to pursue their dreams even in the face of insurmountable odds.

Watch Devon Harris retell his story



# TASK 7: COMPREHENSION

## Questions:

What did Devon say his Grandma always wanted for him?

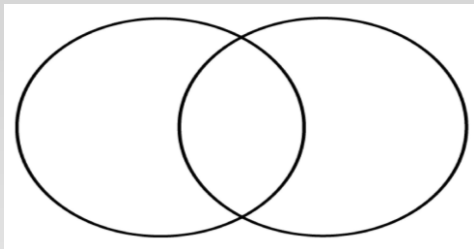
Why did Devon not feel worthy?

Name a value Devon thinks is important?

What is Devon's View on Education?

Is the movie a true retell of his experience?

Complete a Venn diagram comparing Devon's Personal Recount and Cool Runnings the motion picture film.



# PERSONAL RECOUNT

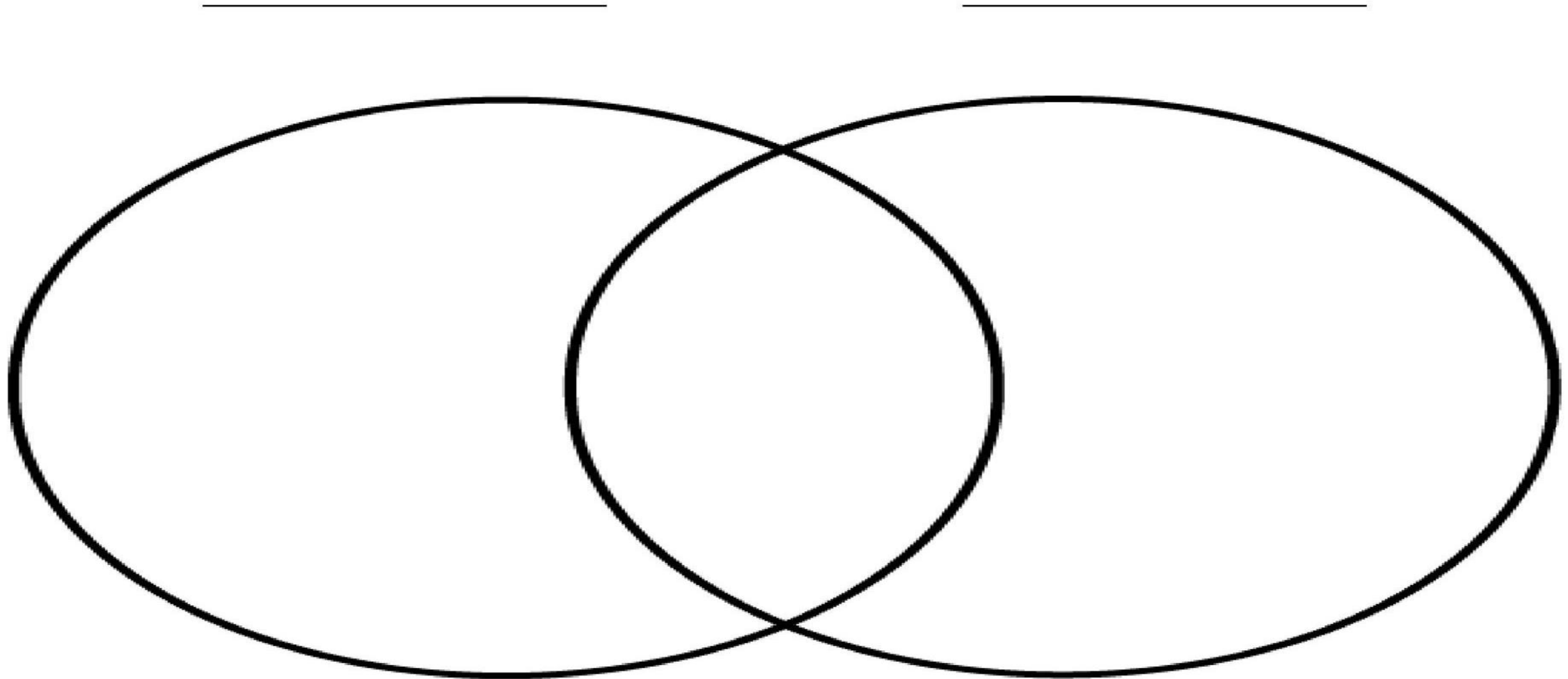


## FOR FUN AND A COMPARISON WATCH COOL RUNNINGS





# TASK 7: COMPARE



# TASK 8: FOOD OF A CHAMPION

Athletes need to keep themselves in top physical form and fuel their bodies.

What would you eat if you were an athlete to give you the energy you need to compete?

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## Jamaica Facts | Jamaica Food

Cassavas, bananas, coconuts, plantains, fruits and vegetables are the staple diet of the Jamaicans. Chicken, pork and beef as well as fish and seafood are also common and part of many popular dishes.



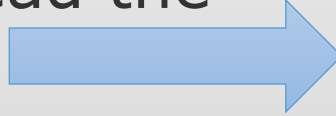
*Fruitstand in Jamaica*

# TASK 9:

## USAIN BOLT CHALLENGE

Another famous Jamaican is Usain Bolt, the current world record holder in the discipline of 100m sprint.

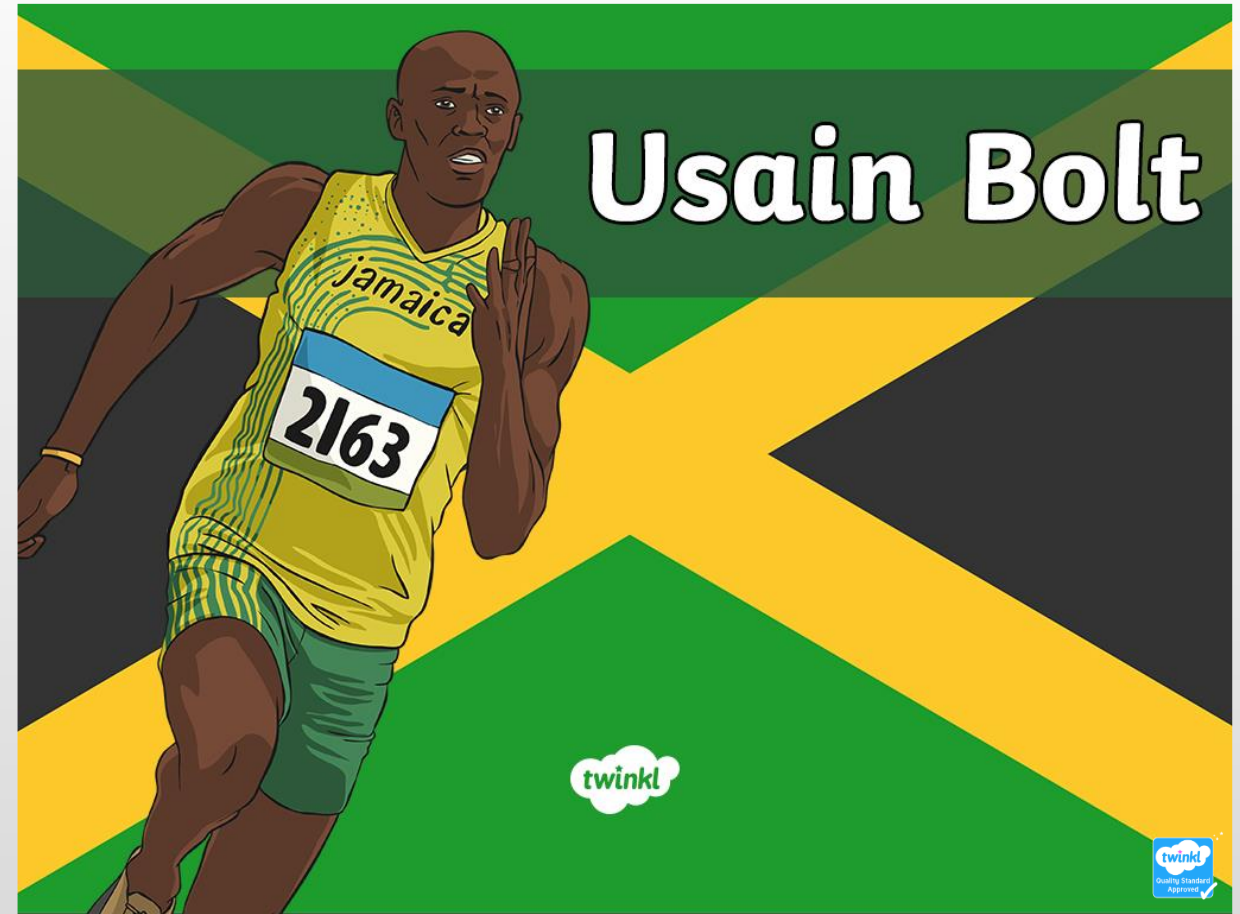
Click on the picture and read the information on Usain Bolt.



Usain Bolt ran 100m in under 10 seconds.

Have a Go: How far can you run in 10 seconds?

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### 9.58 seconds

Did You Know? At the Berlin 2009 World Championships, Usain Bolt established a world record time of **9.58 seconds** for the 100m race.



# TASK 10

## BOB MARLEY

Double click the image **below** to read about Bob Marley, a famous Jamaican singer and song writer.



Reggae is a popular musical genre originating from Jamaica in the 1960s. Bob Marley (1945-1981), who was also a Rastafarian, is considered the pioneer of Reggae music.



Bob Marley

How does his song “Don’t worry about a thing” make you think and feel?

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Click on the video and follow the instructions to draw Bob Marley