LET THE GAMES BEGIN • THINKING SKILL
Worksheet: Events

NAME ________________________________________________

Sports Pictograms

For each group of events in the 2002 Games, there is a pictogram or symbol that can easily be recognized by people, regardless of what language they speak.

These pictograms are designed to look like branding irons used by cowboys to keep track of their livestock (horses, cattle, etc.). They reflect Utah’s rugged history and western landscape.

WRITE THE NAME OF THE SPORT UNDER THE CORRECT ICON.
Descriptions of each sport are listed on the back of this page.

- Biathlon
- Bobsleigh
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Curling
- Downhill/Super-G
- Figure Skating
- Freestyle Aerials
- Freestyle Moguls
- Giant Slalom
- Ice Hockey
- Ice Sledge Hockey
- Luge
- Mix Pairs/Doubles
- Nordic Combined
- Short Track
- Speed Skating
- Skeleton
- Ski Jumping
- Slalom
- Snowboarding
- Speed Skating
BIATHLON—combines cross-country skiing with precision shooting
BOBSLEIGH—two-man and four-man sleds speed down the mountain
CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING—skiers race up and down through the woods
CURLING—heavy stones slide across the ice towards a target
DOWNHILL/SUPER-G—skiers race down a steep course with turns and jumps, going as fast as 60 mph
FIGURE SKATING—single ice skaters perform gymnastics and dance on ice
FREESTYLE AERIALS—competitors on skis perform flips and twists in mid-air
FREESTYLE MOGULS—skiers gracefully race down the hill with a series of bumps and small jumps
GIANT SLALOM—skiers race down a steep course weaving between 40 to 60 gates marked with rectangular flags
ICE HOCKEY—teams compete on skates to hit the hockey puck into the goal
ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY—Paralympic athletes compete on sleds with skates, similar to ice hockey in the Olympic Winter Games
LUGE—competitors, lying on their backs with feet-first, ride a sled down a track
MIX PAIRS/DOUBLES—couples perform dance and gymnastic programs on ice skates
NORDIC COMBINED—combines cross-country skiing and ski jumping
SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING—several ice skaters sprint around the ice track at one time
SKELETON—athletes ride head first on a thin steel sled down the bobsled track
SKI JUMPING—competitors jump off a long, steep track and fly through the air
SLALOM—skiers weave through 55 to 75 tightly-spaced gates marked with triangular flags
SNOWBOARDING—competitors perform tricks and race downhill with both feet on one board
SPEED SKATING—skaters race around a long track for long distances

During the 2002 Games, athletes from all over the world will compete in more than 78 different events!