

## What does Fair Play mean for you?

My name is Vantsova Sasha. I am a first-year student. I study at Zherdevski College of Sugar Industry. Studying is the main thing for me now. And if I was asked the question what Fair Play meant for me, I would answer: "Fair Study". I am sure that everything in our life should be fair. I mean Fair Work, Fair Play, Fair Relationship, Fair Business, Fair Art, Fair Sport and so on. To my mind Fair Play can be called Fair Way of Life.

Everybody knows that in Ancient Greece there were the so-called "hellenodics". Their role in sport competitions was great. Any dishonest athlete could be deprived of his winning title by the hellenodics' decision. Moreover, the hellenodics had the right to fine such sportsmen or even to subject them to physical punishment! I suggest to renew this ancient "hellenodic" tradition and if I were the chairman of the International Olympic Committee, I would choose the modern hellenodics among former sportsmen who were given the Fair Play Awards.

Didon, one of Coubertin's friends, is known as the author of the famous Olympic slogan: "Citius, altius, fortius". I am sure we should add one more word to it. Do you know what word it is? Of course, it must be the word "Pulchra", that means "fair" in Latin.

What is more, it is Polidam from Thessaly, the Olympic winner, who must be given the first Fair Play Award. With one hand, he could stop a running chariot. One day, with some friends, he was feasting in a stone grotto. The roof of the grotto began to fall, and Polidam, like Atlant, held it until all those in the grotto had escaped to safety. He himself collapsed under a huge weight and was buried alive.

I am Russian. Russia is famous for its numerous sightseeings. One of them is the lake Baikal. Baikal is worth visiting for its clear water, the clearest water in the world. I want the Fair Play to be as clear as Baikal's water!

My age is 17.

I am from Russia, Zherdevka.