



On Your Marks, Get Set, Go!

SPORTS NARRATOR: Good afternoon from the amazing Olympic Stadium in Rio de Janeiro! My name is Steve, and I'm really excited to be here at the men's 200-meter final! Favorites to win are Usain Bolt from Jamaica and Andre De Grasse from Canada. Bolt, of course, will try to **retain** his title from the 2008 and 2012 Olympics and make history in Rio. This is the 200-meter final, ladies and gentlemen! On your marks, get set, go... and there they go! Usain Bolt is **right away** ahead of the rest! No surprises there from the world champion. De Grasse is really **getting close** now, but Bolt has the **strength** and the power. He has everything! He **flies away** in the last 20 meters. Bolt wins the race! Oh, my god, Bolt does it again, for the third time **in a row**! I can't believe it! No doubt, he's amazing! Another fantastic race by the 29-year-old runner. De Grasse finishes second. Tomorrow we'll have the men's 100-meter final at 5 pm. Many people want to know about the weather forecast because they are very interested in making predictions. You are right! You have to take every single detail into account! Well, for all the curious out there, weather is expected to be hot and humid again here in the Olympic Stadium in Brazil. Have a wonderful evening from the Sports World Team!

1. Based on the text, match the words in bold with the correct definition.

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| 1. retain | a. phrasal verb.- to leave a place quickly |
| 2. right away | b. noun.- the quality of being strong |
| 3. getting close (get close) | c. phrasal verb.- to almost reach someone or something |
| 4. strength | d. adverb.- immediately |
| 5. flies away | e. prepositional phrase.- one after another |
| 6. in a row | f. verb.- to keep or maintain |

2. Read the text again and answer the questions.

- a. What is the sports event?

- b. Where does it take place?

- c. Who is the winner?

- d. What phrases does the narrator use to demonstrate his excitement?
