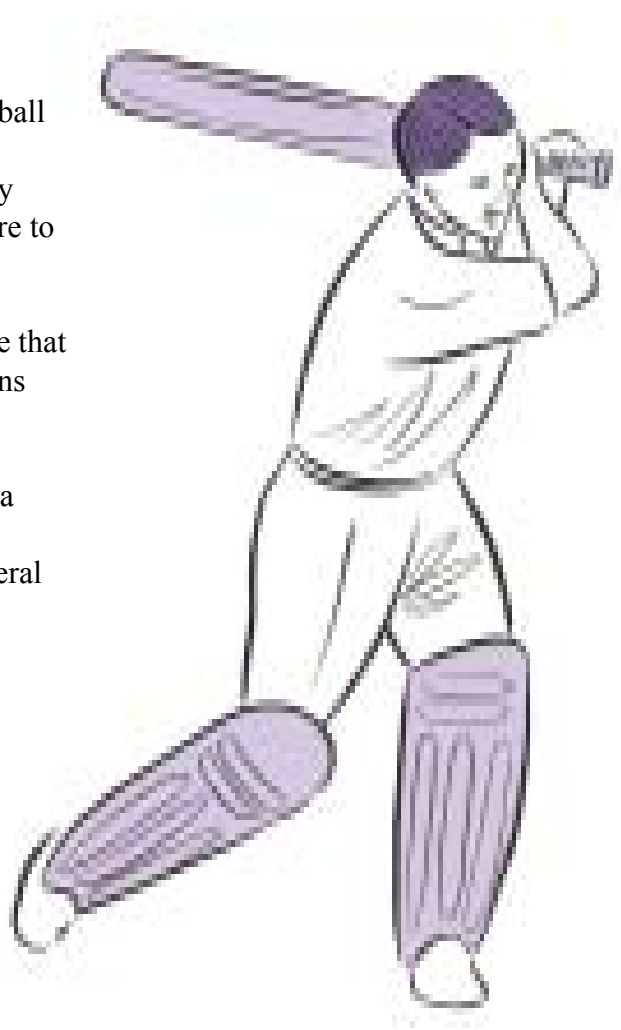


A Question of Fair Play

CASE STUDIES

1. Australia's greatest batsman Sir Donald Bradman felt the ball nick the edge of his bat. He heard the ball thump into the keeper's gloves and immediately declared himself "out" by walking back to the pavilion without waiting for the umpire to raise his finger to signal "out."
2. Australian wicket keeper Ian Healy signalled to the umpire that he did not catch the ball before it hit the ground. His actions saved an opponent from being unfairly given "out."
3. Australian golfer Greg Norman disqualified himself from a tournament he was leading when he realised he had accidentally broken a rule, potentially costing himself several hundred thousand dollars.
4. A cricketer was accused of "sledging" or saying things to opponents to put them off their game.
5. A footballer held on to his opponent's jumper to stop him getting the ball. He also used racist taunts.



Activity

In small groups, discuss your attitude to fair play in sport.

- Can you think of other examples of fair play in sport?
- Can you think of other examples of cheating or unacceptable behaviour in sport?
- Why is breaking the rules considered "part of the game" in some sports but "cheating" in other sports?
- Make a list of behaviours that your group considers unacceptable in sport. Give a summary of your group's discussion to the rest of the class.