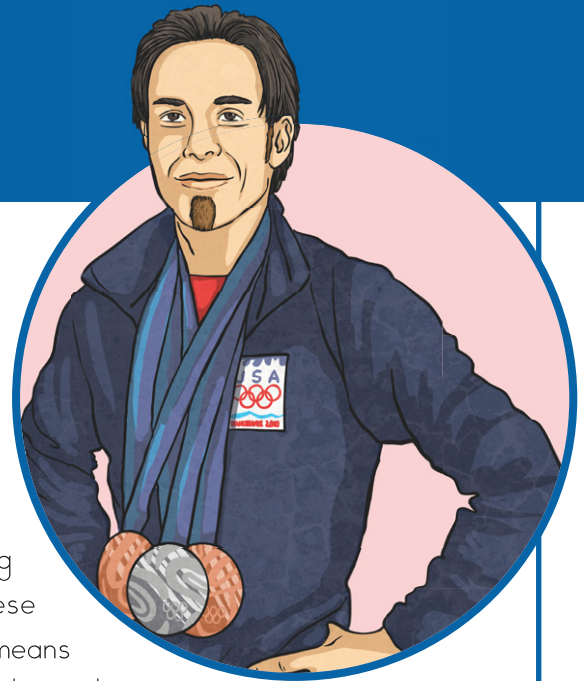


# Apolo Anton Ohno



## Name

Apolo Anton Ohno

## Born

May 22, 1982

## Childhood

Apolo Ohno was raised by his father. He began training in short track speed skating in 1996. Ohno is of Japanese heritage. He is named for the Greek words “apo”, which means “to steer away from”, and “lo”, which means “look out, here he comes”. Apolo’s father wanted him to have something to do while he was working so he encouraged Apolo to begin training in swimming and speed roller skating when Apolo was six years old. Apolo would swim in the mornings, go to school, and then practice skating after school.

## Achievements

Apolo Ohno won the Washington State swimming championship in breaststroke at 12 years old. He became the youngest skater accepted to the Lake Placid Olympic Training Center at 13 years old. Some of his accomplishments include winning first overall at 1999 World Junior Championship for short track speed skating and competing in the 2002, 2006, and 2010 Olympic Games. Ohno won the gold medal in the 2002 and 2006 Olympic Games.

Olympic Games	Medals
2002 Salt Lake City	1 Gold, 1 Silver
2006 Turin	1 Gold, 2 Bronze
2010 Vancouver	1 Silver, 2 Bronze

## Life After the Olympics

Ohno won the reality show, *Dancing with the Stars* with dance partner Julianne Hough in 2007. In 2012, he returned to the show for an all-star season. He has appeared in several TV shows and movies. Apolo Ohno sponsored a speed skating race called the Apolo Ohno Invitational in 2014. He is credited with popularizing speed skating.

# Apolo Ohno

1. Fill in the blanks using the passage to support your responses.

Apolo Ohno began speed skating training in \_\_\_\_\_. He is of \_\_\_\_\_ heritage and his name comes from the \_\_\_\_\_ language. He trained in \_\_\_\_\_ and skating. Ohno has competed in the Olympics \_\_\_\_\_ times and has won two \_\_\_\_\_ medals. Since his achievements at the Olympics, he has also performed on the \_\_\_\_\_ show, Dancing with the Stars. He hosted a speed skating \_\_\_\_\_ called the Apolo Ohno Invitational in 2014.

2. Edit and rewrite the text below. Be sure to check for punctuation, capitalization, and spelling. Use the fact sheet to help you.

Apolo Ohno is a great guy. he is very talented at speed skating His name even means “steer away from; look out, here he comes.” apolo began skating when he was young. He was the youngest person ever to begin training at the lake placid olympic training center he has won 8 medals in three different Olympics. what a talented athlete

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3. Apolo Ohno was born in:

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| a. 1981 | c. 1983 |
| b. 1982 | d. 1984 |

4. Which of the following is not a year in which Apolo competed in the Olympics?

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| a. 1996 | c. 2006 |
| b. 2002 | d. 2010 |

5. The Greek word "lo" means:

- a. To steer away from
- b. Look out, here he comes
- c. Future Olympian
- d. Here I am

Look at the True/False questions below. If the answer is true, circle True. If the answer is false, circle False and correct the statement by writing the true fact underneath.

6. True or False: Apolo Ohno is the youngest person to be accepted to the Lake Placid Olympic Training Center.

- a. True
- b. False

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7. True or False: Apolo Ohno has won 10 Olympic medals.

- a. True
- b. False

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