


MULTIPLE CHOICE: OLYMPIC SUCCESS

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Introduction

- Explanation of Activity
 - A hand-out will be distributed
 - It contains 1 simple multiple choice question
 - You will select your answer and submit them electronically via polling software.

Which Country was the most successful at the 2008 Olympics?



Australia

Bahamas

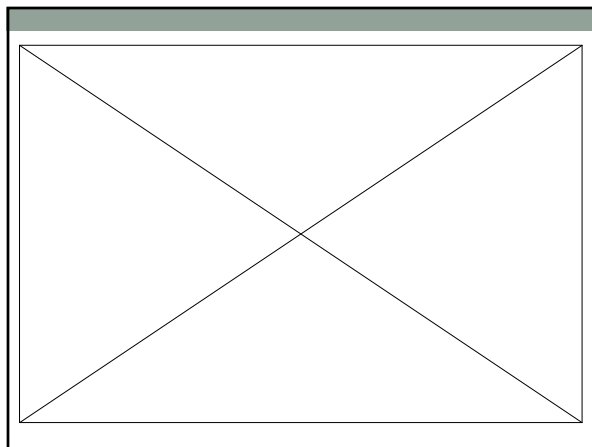
China

United States

Zimbabwe

Which Country was the most successful at the 2008 Olympics?

Selected 2008 Summer Olympic Results			
Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Australia (AUS)	14	15	17
Bahamas (BAH)	0	1	1
China (CHN)	51	21	28
United States (USA)	36	38	36
Zimbabwe (ZIM)	1	3	0



What's the Correct Answer?

- No Winner
- Olympic Creed:
 - "The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well."
- Or.....

China wins on Gold Medals



Also: Weighted Medals (3, 2, 1)

U.S. wins on Total Medals



Bahamas wins on Medals Per Capita



Zimbabwe wins on Medals per GDP



Also Gold per GDP

Australia Wins on Medals Per Capita (of Major Countries)



Activity Wrap-up:

5 Different Headlines.....

Supporting 5 Different Countries

Using 5 Different Criteria!

Keys Ideas:

- Definitions Matter
- Hypothetical Thinking
- "Where do Statistics come from?"