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SPORTS

Unit 7: Lesson 11



What are we learning this class?

- ◊ Describing pictures and videos and making personal connections
- ◊ Reading about the sport of Golf

Have you played
Golf before?

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Focus Question

How is golf played, and why do people like it?

Words to Know

club	events
contests	green
course	traps

Front cover: A golfer swings on a teeing ground.

Title page: A golf tee steadies a golf ball.

Page 3: A young golfer tries to get out of a hazard.

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A golfer uses a golf club to hit a golf ball.

A Quiet Sport

Golf is a quiet and fun sport.
Players must be calm to play well.
They must practice to be good.

Golfers often put the ball on a tee before they hit it.

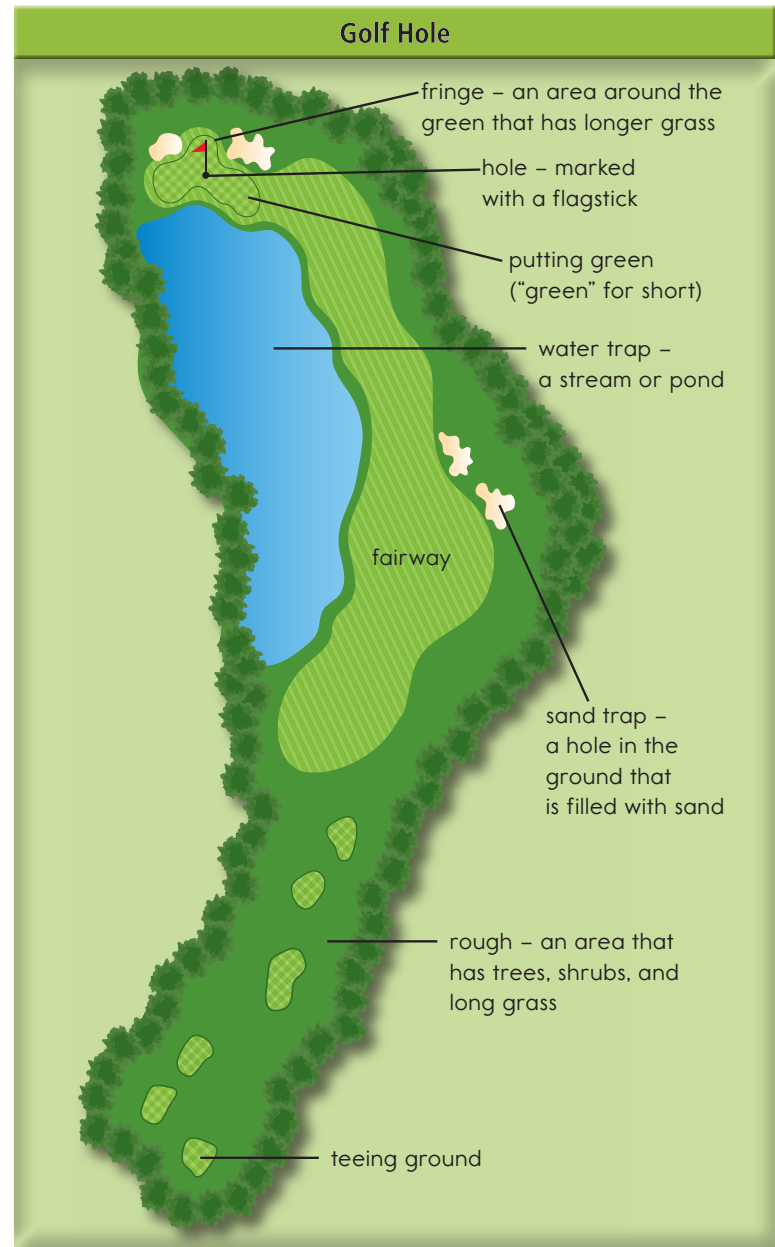


Playing the Game

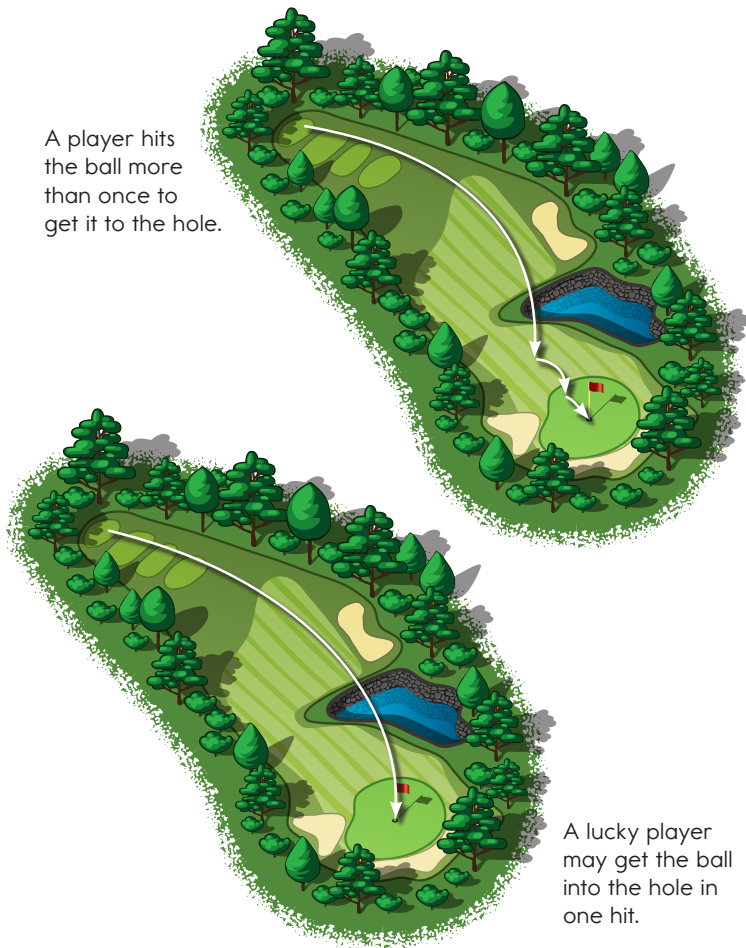
Players hit a small, hard ball with a **club**.

They hit the ball into a small hole in the ground.

The player who gets the ball in the hole with the fewest hits wins.



Players hit the ball hard to try to move it to the **green**. They may need several hits to get it there.



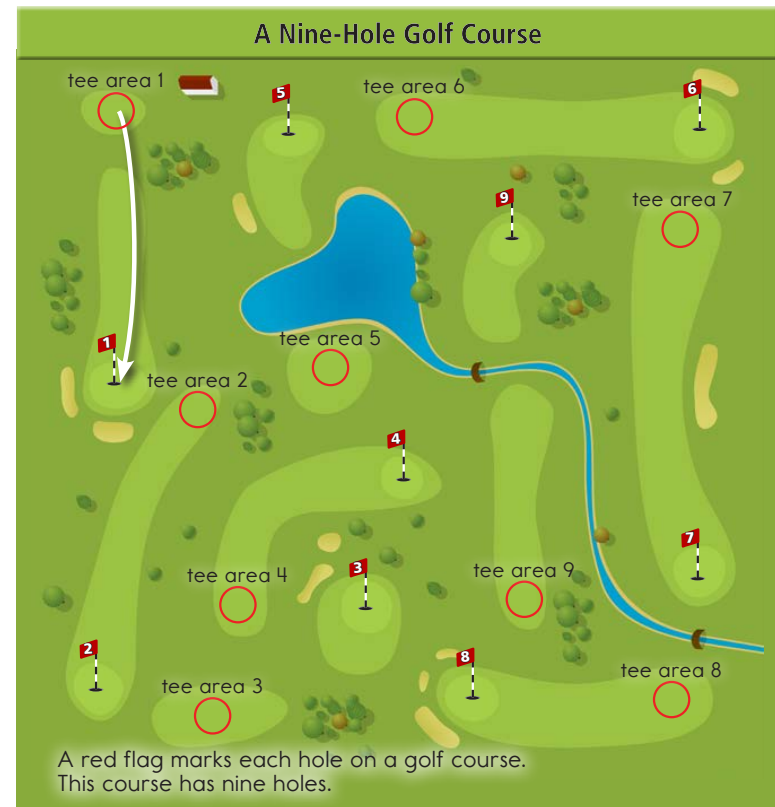
A golf **course** may have parts with rough grass. The golf course may also have sand or water **traps**. A player may need more hits to get a ball out of these places.



Golfers use different kinds of clubs for different kinds of shots.

Some clubs are good for hitting the ball far away.
Others are good for shorter shots.

Each hole of a golf course has a starting place at one end.
The green with the small hole is at the other end.
A golf course has nine or eighteen holes.



Golf Long Ago

Golf began hundreds of years ago.
The first golf balls were
made of wood.
Now, golf balls are made
of rubber and plastic.



old golf ball
and golf clubs



New golf balls fly higher
and farther than old ones.

Golf Around the World

Many people around the world
love to play golf.
The sport is popular in countries
where people speak English.



The United States has more places to play golf than any other country.



Some big golf contests happen every year. Many people come to watch.

Golf Contests

Some people play in big **events**.

Some events have many **contests** each year.

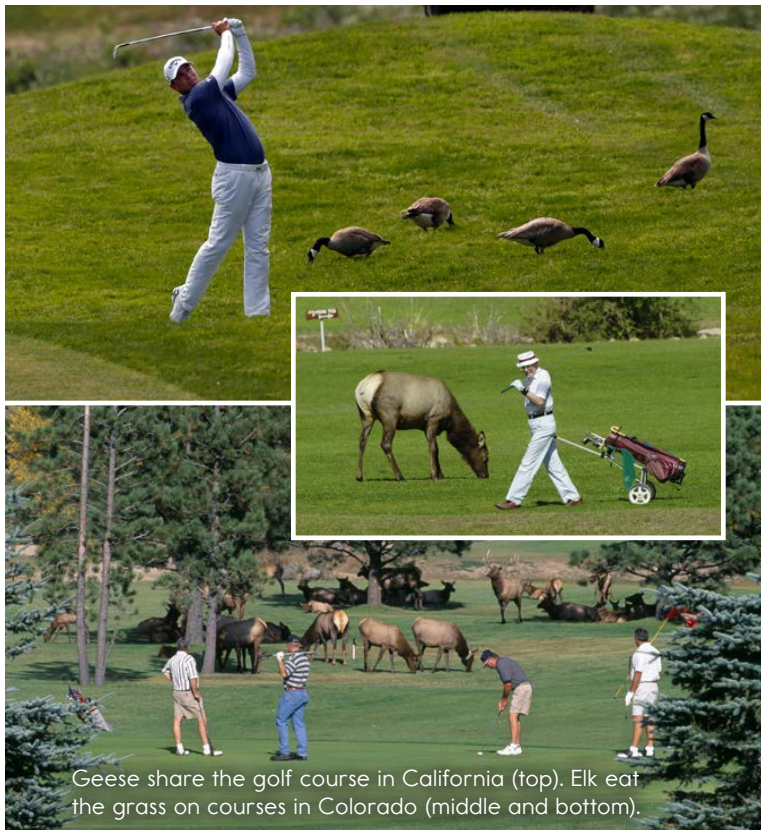
Men and women play in different golf events.

Famous Golfers

Jack Nicklaus is the best golfer ever to play the game.

Patty Berg and Tiger Woods are two other great players.





A Fun Game

Funny things can happen in golf.
 Animals can come very close.
 Do you want to play?
 If you practice hard, you can
 have fun playing golf!

Glossary

- club** (n.) a long stick used to hit a small ball in the game of golf (p. 5)
- contests** (n.) events where people do something for the purpose of winning (p. 13)
- course** (n.) a large area of land set aside for a sport such as golf or racing (p. 8)
- events** (n.) important happenings (p. 13)
- green** (n.) a smooth area of very short grass surrounding each hole on a golf course (p. 7)
- traps** (n.) obstacles on a golf course usually filled with sand or water (p. 8)

Let's now watch a video!





What happened in the
video?

Has this ever happened to you? Tell
us about it.

You are making a personal
connection!

In the video, the boy was
called a sore winner

Have you seen a sore winner before?



Have you been a sore winner before?

Look at this photo and ask your classmate a question!



Personal Connection Questions

What does this remind you of?

Has this happened to you before?

How is this similar to you?

How is this different from you?

What were your feelings when you saw this?

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**Ask your classmate
another question!
Listen for their reply.**

What did we learn today?

- The sport of Golf
- Making personal connections to video and photos

