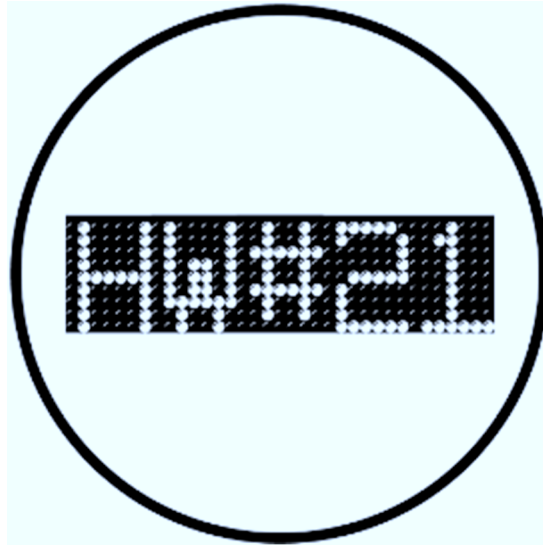


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# 7th Grade Language Arts



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## A pro soccer star at 13? Olivia Moultrie's decision pays off

By Washington Post 3/3/2019

A Nike ad starring Serena Williams, called "Dream Crazier," came out February 24 during the Academy Awards broadcast. If you paid close attention to it, you might've noticed a young-looking soccer player toward the end, gazing calmly and confidently at the camera.

As it turns out, that soccer player is indeed young — she's 13 years old. And she has already turned professional.

Olivia Moultrie is now officially on the Nike roster, but she won't be wearing the swoosh logo while playing for the University of North Carolina. In turning pro, she is giving up the soccer scholarship from the Tar Heels she accepted at the tender age of 11. Still, her father is confident that it's the right call.

"For literally almost every kid in girls' soccer, you should go to college; there's not a million dollars at the end of the rainbow," K.C. Moultrie told The New York Times, in a story published February 25. "I think if you're truly, truly elite, if your goal is to be a world-class player and a pro and, in Olivia's case, to be the best player in the world, there's no way it's better to play college than it is to play full-time."

Moultrie's agent, Spencer Wadsworth of the Wasserman sports agency, told the Times that her Nike deal was worth more than the value of a four-year scholarship to a school such as UNC. Having been the youngest girls' soccer player to publicly accept a college scholarship, she is now the youngest to pass it up in favor of the pro ranks.

"It's just a shift in women's sports," Wadsworth said. "You see it more and more now where women's soccer is catching up to the men's side, and there's more opportunities for them."

It's not exactly clear what kind of organized soccer Moultrie will be playing for the next few years, apart from participation on a rung of the U.S. national program. She has also given up high school and youth club eligibility. The Oregonian reported February 25 that she was set to move from her native California to Portland to become a developmental player for the Thorns of the National Women's Soccer League. However, the league's rules indicate that athletes must be at least 18 to compete.

According to the Times, FIFA rules — the world governing body of soccer — make going to a soccer club in Europe unlikely before Moultrie turns 18, as well. She trained with a few of that continent's giants last year, including Bayern Munich and Paris Saint-Germain (PSG). There, according to the Times, she ended up playing against the French club's under-17 boys' team.

Wherever her path leads, Moultrie has been training intensely toward it since the age of 7, when her parents signed her up with a local soccer academy that specialized in individual drills

and agility. "She can do it all and she's always willing to keep learning," the owner of the academy, Alfredo Sainz, told Urban Pitch in 2017.

"I always told her, 'Be good at everything.' Whether it's juggling, skills, agility, street, futsal, grass or pitch," he continued. "Don't ever be comfortable with just one thing and shy away from not being able to play futsal or street because you're not 'that type of player.'"

"I really became passionate about soccer when my dad and I made the decision to start working as hard as I do now," Moultrie, who has been home-schooled since the fifth grade to give her more time to train, said in 2017 (via Urban Pitch). "When I started treating every day like an opportunity and training to be a professional, I really fell in love with the process of trying to become great."

In bypassing college, Moultrie is following in the footsteps, though at a much earlier age, of USWNT soccer stars Lindsey Horan and Mallory Pugh. Horan also chose to skip a UNC scholarship, signing instead with PSG in 2012, before joining the Thorns in 2016. Pugh was briefly on UCLA's squad before jumping to the NWSL's Washington Spirit in 2017.

Turning pro at a young age isn't all that unusual for top talents among boys, with one recent case being the signing of 15-year-old Leo Torres earlier this month by the United Soccer League's San Antonio FC. The U.S. national team's Christian Pulisic signed with Germany's Borussia Dortmund in 2015, at the age of 16, and Freddy Adu was famously just 14 when D.C. United took him first overall in the 2004 Major League Soccer SuperDraft.

That fact that Adu never quite delivered on his next-big-thing hype, though, stands as something of a cautionary tale for Moultrie. UNC coach Anson Dorrance told the Times that while her soccer skills were unquestionable, Moultrie's physical development was still something to watch.

"That's the risk for any young kid whose ambition is to play at a high level," Dorrance said, "or for a shoe company that is signing them young or a professional team that is signing them young."

"I tell her all the time, 'Nobody cares that you're the best at 12,'" K.C. Moultrie said to the Times last year. "If you're not the best at 17 or 18, nobody's going to care. You're going to be one of those child actors that nobody cares about. You're going to be Macaulay Culkin," he said, referring to the young star of the popular movie "Home Alone."

With a push from Nike, it's safe to say that Moultrie has reached child-star status. It remains to be seen if she continues to show dominant ability as an adult, be it in Portland or elsewhere, but the 13-year-old has already made her mark as a trailblazer.

1. Which option would Wadsworth MOST LIKELY agree with? Which evidence from the text supports your answer?

(A) Moultrie's deal with Nike represents a larger movement within women's soccer: He states that it is becoming more common to see opportunities in women's soccer that are similar to men's.

(B) Moultrie's professional success as an adult soccer player is questionable at this point: He states that it is risky for kids to be signed as professionals because they change as they grow.

(C) Moultrie's success hinges on her continued enthusiasm for and commitment to learning and mastering new skills: He states she is continuously willing to learn and needs to be good at all soccer skills.

(D) Moultrie's situation in the soccer world is definitely a rare exception: He states that young girls who play soccer should definitely go to college unless they are good enough to be the best in the world.

2. Read the list of sentences from the article.

1. In turning pro, she is giving up the soccer scholarship from the Tar Heels she accepted at the tender age of 11.

2. Having been the youngest girls' soccer player to publicly accept a college scholarship, she is now the youngest to pass it up in favor of the pro ranks.

3. Wherever her path leads, Moultrie has been training intensely toward it since the age of 7, when her parents signed her up with a local soccer academy that specialized in individual drills and agility.

4. In bypassing college, Moultrie is following in the footsteps, though at a much earlier age, of USWNT soccer stars Lindsey Horan and Mallory Pugh.

Which two sentences taken together provide the BEST evidence to support the author's claim that Moultrie is a trailblazer?

(A) 1 and 2

(B) 2 and 4

(C) 1 and 3

(D) 3 and 4

3. How does the article introduce the idea that signing young soccer players like Moultrie is risky?
- (A) by explaining how athletic skills change as a person grows older
  - (B) by providing a quote from a credible soccer expert
  - (C) by giving an example of a young soccer player who did not live up to expectations
  - (D) by comparing the outcomes of male and female soccer players who went pro at young ages
4. Why did the author begin the article with a description of a Nike ad with Serena Williams?
- (A) because it presents a familiar athlete's name to orient the reader before introducing Moultrie
  - (B) because it establishes the level of success Moultrie has already reached as a young sports star
  - (C) because it sets up a contrast between adults and youth in professional sports
  - (D) because it helps the reader visualize accomplished athletes

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Book #16 – Carryon Bags

Your main character is going on a trip and is worried that their luggage might get lost. Create a list of 7 things that your character is going to bring in his/her carryon luggage. These things should be so important to the main character that if they were to be stranded somewhere, without anything else, they could at least survive with these 7 items (let's assume they're wearing clothes and have money). List the 7 things and then in the space below explain why these items are so important to your main character.

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**Lesson 5****Subjects and Predicates: Compound**

A sentence may have more than one simple subject or simple predicate.

A **compound subject** is two or more simple subjects that have the same predicate. The subjects are joined by *and*, *or*, *either...or*, *neither...nor*, or *but*.

**Oregon and Washington** lie in the Pacific Northwest. (compound subject)

A **compound predicate** is two or more simple predicates, or verbs, that have the same subject. The verbs are connected by *and*, *or*, *either...or*, *neither...nor*, or *but*.

Many people neither **enjoy** nor **appreciate** modern art. (compound predicate)

► **Exercise 1** Each of these sentences has either a compound subject, a compound predicate, or both. Draw one line under the simple subjects in each compound subject. Draw two lines under the simple predicates in each compound predicate.

Water streamed across the street and ran into the gutter.

1. Apples and pears grow on trees.
2. Workers pick apples and package them for sale.
3. Joi and her sisters sang for the congregation.
4. Wes or Raquel showed the office to the guests.
5. We ate and slept on the bus.
6. The ceiling and the walls are the same color.
7. Both Arizona and New Mexico have hot deserts.
8. Thoughtful neighbors and friends of the family sent sympathy cards.
9. Either red or blue clashes with this color.
10. Copper and iron have many uses.
11. In 1947, French president Charles de Gaulle and his party strengthened the central government of France.
12. Many Europeans both understand and use the English language.
13. Crocodiles and alligators swim in the water but hunt on land.

14. Boll weevils seek the scent of cotton and destroy the plants.
15. A city council or other government body discusses the proposed law and votes on it.
16. Both tennis and badminton require rackets.
17. Puppies and kittens play and sleep most of the day.
18. Scientists perform research with care and conduct experiments with even more care.
19. Crabs and lobsters crawl along the ocean floor.
20. Farmers grow crops in the summer and harvest them in the fall.
21. Marie and Pierre Curie won the 1903 Nobel Prize in physics.
22. Exercise and diet are the keys to good health.
23. Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers danced, acted, and sang in many movies.
24. Dams hold back water and prevent flooding.
25. The papers, books, and pencils lie in a neat pile on the desk.
26. Students study in the classroom and exercise in the gymnasium.
27. A calculator or computer adds, subtracts, multiplies, and divides rapidly.
28. One large box or several small cartons hold many books.
29. Trains and trucks carry large amounts of food and goods.
30. Tomas and his family swam and hiked last weekend.
31. Water freezes at 32°F and boils at 212°F.
32. The soccer team ran and kicked its way to victory.
33. Hurricanes or other strong winds uproot trees.
34. The carpenters measured and cut the wood for our new barn.
35. Cars and trucks burn diesel fuel.
36. The president and her cabinet posed for photographs.
37. The freshman class raised money and donated presents to charity.
38. Lorraine read the book and wrote her report in one week.
39. Prisms and other glass objects separate light into its component colors.
40. The Congo River begins in Zaire, flows 2,718 miles, and empties into the Atlantic Ocean.







