

Fill the gaps with suitable words:

COMBAT SPORTS

Generally sports in _____ athletes fight _____ combat each other, usually one-on-one. A competitive contact sport where two combatants fight _____ each other using certain rules of engagement. Boxing, amateur wrestling, mixed martial _____ and fencing are examples of combat sports. The techniques used can _____ categorized into _____ domains: striking, grappling, and weapon usage. Some rule-sets specialize _____ one area, while others allow overlap.

History

Sports related to combat skills have been _____ part of human culture for thousands of years. The Ancient Olympic Games were largely composed of sports _____ tested skills related to combat, such as _____ Boxing, Wrestling, Pankration (blend of boxing and wrestling) Chariot racing amongst others. This tradition of Combat sports was taken even further _____ the Romans with gladiators _____ would fight with weapons, often _____ the death.

Through the Middle ages and Renaissance the Tournament became popular, with the Joust (a sport and an entertainment for _____ rich and noble. It consists _____ martial competition between two mounted knights using a variety of weapons. While the tournament _____ popular amongst Aristocrats, combative sports were practiced _____ all levels of society. Folk wrestling exists in many forms and in most cultures.