**Fill the gaps with suitable words:**

**COMBAT SPORTS**

Generally sports in **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** athletes fight **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** combat each other, usually one-on-one. A competitive [contact sport](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Contact_sport) where two combatants fight **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** each other using certain rules of engagement. [Boxing](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boxing), [amateur wrestling](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amateur_wrestling), [mixed martial **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mixed_martial_arts) and [fencing](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fencing) are examples of combat sports. The techniques used can **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** categorized into **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** domains: [striking](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Strike_%28attack%29), [grappling](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grappling), and [weapon](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/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](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ancient_Olympic_Games) were largely composed of sports **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** tested skills related to combat, such **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** [Boxing](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boxing), [Wrestling](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wrestling), [Pankration](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pankration) (blend of boxing and wrestling) [Chariot racing](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chariot_racing) amongst others. This tradition of Combat sports was taken even further **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** the [Romans](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ancient_Rome) with [gladiators](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gladiator) **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** would fight with weapons, often **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** the death.

Through the [Middle ages](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Middle_ages) and [Renaissance](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Renaissance) the [Tournament](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tournament_%28medieval%29) became popular, with the Joust (a sport and an entertainment for **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** rich and noble. It consists **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** [martial](http://en.wiktionary.org/wiki/martial) competition between two mounted [knights](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knight) using a variety of weapons. While the tournament **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** popular amongst [Aristocrats](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aristocrat), combative sports where practiced **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** all levels of society. [Folk wrestling](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Folk_wrestling) exists in many forms and in most cultures.