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Coming up in August is the prestigious event of sixteen days of the Olympics to be held in Athens, which was the very first city to host this event in 1896. This makes 2004 rather special, so we have put together a display to help you to inspire your readers to discover the facts, figures and visuals that make up the Olympics.

Access the web site www.athens2004.com to download the logo design for the Athens Olympics and various other bits of information. We have based the design for our display on this logo. It is very simple and should take minimal time to make. Imagine how exciting it would be to have your own Olympics in your library.

You will need

- Various coloured papers or card - bright blue, golden yellow, bright green, red, black and white
- Glue stick, cutting knife, thin bendable wire (possibly a wire coat hanger).

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To make

Cut a square measuring 297 x 297 mm. This can be done on an A4-size paper by joining the extra bit needed with Sellotape at the back. Then make a circle with wire to a diameter of approximately 210 mm. Cover the wire with long strips of white paper wound around it and secure with glue or tape. According to the logo the laurel wreath is open-ended. Cut the leaves to a length of 70mm and the berries to a diameter of 20mm (approximately), curl the leaves around a

pencil to create a three-dimensional effect and glue or prestik them and the berries to the wreath, as shown in the picture.

The Olympic circles are cut from A4-size to a diameter of 210 mm and are 27 mm wide. These need to be quite sturdy, so card would be best.

Dramatic and contrasting pictures were chosen from books and photocopied. These were trimmed to size and placed inside the circles and taped at the back. Please note the overlap of circles which intertwine. To achieve this they must be cut and taped at the back. Lettering was chosen to more or less match the logo and cut out of blue card or paper. We have tried to match the typical azure blue synonymous with Athens and the Mediterranean for this display.

Boxes in the colours of the Olympic circles will complete the display and add depth.

Enjoy creating your display to get your users into the spirit of things. Then sit back and watch with the rest of the world as sports-women and men compete with the Olympic motto in mind - Faster, Higher, Stronger!

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