



Read the biography passage carefully. Then answer each question below in complete sentences.

Look for key facts about the person's early life, achievements, and impact. Use details from the passage to support your answers.

Donovan Bailey: Canada's Fastest Man



Imagine being called the fastest man in the world! That incredible title once belonged to Canada's own Donovan Bailey, a legendary sprinter whose speed left the world in awe.

Donovan Bailey was born in Manchester, Jamaica, in 1967. When he was 13 years old, he moved to Oakville, Ontario, Canada. Growing up, he was a talented basketball player and track athlete, but he didn't focus on sprinting until his early twenties.

His greatest achievement came at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games. There, Donovan won two gold medals, first in the highly anticipated 100-meter dash, setting a new world record of 9.84 seconds. He then anchored the Canadian 4x100-meter relay team to another gold, a truly remarkable feat of speed and teamwork.

Even after his Olympic triumphs, Bailey faced challenges, including injuries that tested his resolve. However, his determination to compete at the highest level never wavered. He famously raced against American sprinter Michael Johnson in 1997 in a unique 150-meter "Race of the Century" to determine the true fastest man, which he also won.

Today, Donovan Bailey is remembered not just for his blazing speed but also for his incredible dedication and the pride he brought to Canada. His legacy continues to inspire young athletes to chase their dreams and push the limits of what's possible.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS



(1) Where was Donovan Bailey born before he moved to Canada?

- A Manchester, Jamaica
- B Oakville, Ontario
- C Atlanta, Georgia
- D Kingston, Jamaica

(2) Donovan Bailey won two gold medals at the 1996 _____ Olympic Games.

— continue writing on the lines below

(3) In the passage, what does the word "feat" mean?

- A a difficult and impressive achievement
- B a small mistake
- C a type of shoe
- D a quick race

(4) Why do you think Donovan Bailey's "Race of the Century" against Michael Johnson was important, even after he had already won Olympic gold? Use details from the passage.

(5) How does Donovan Bailey's story of becoming the fastest man in the world inspire people today? What can we learn from his life?



