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Homework

Girls can/boys can

Read the passage below.



Santosh Yadav dreamed of climbing the tallest mountain. In India in the 1990s, girls couldn't do that. Are there activities that girls can't do in America today? Are there activities that boys can't do?

In Virginia, eighth grader Mina Johnson plays football. She is a strong linebacker. So good, in fact, that she plays for her middle school team. Other teams didn't like the idea of a girl player. They refused to play her school if Mina was on the team.

Boys' field hockey is a high school sport in Canada, England, and many places in Asia and Africa. But in most places in the U.S., field hockey is only for girls. Eighth grader Matt Bozdech wanted to play for his school team. Because the team is all girls and competes against girls, the school said no. Other schools say yes, but make the boy players wear skirts.

Pick one of the people from the passage above:

Mina Johnson

Matt Bozdech

Write some reasons why the person should be able to play.

should be able to play because

Take the other side! What is one reason why they should NOT be able to play for their school team?

should not be able to play because

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