

SKATEBOARDING:

What do you know about skateboarding?

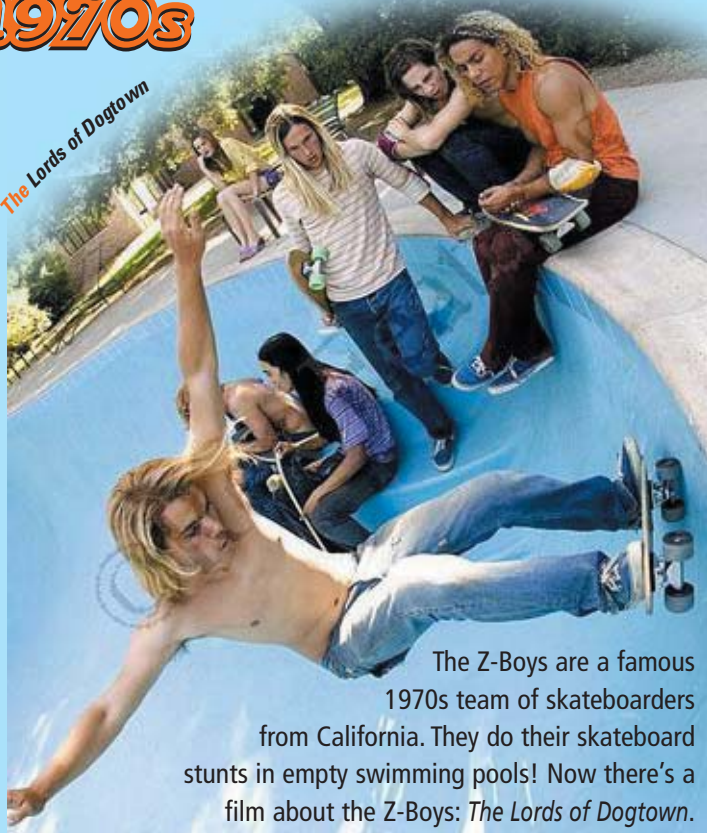
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1960s

Skateboarding is more than 50 years old. The first 1960s skateboards are big and they aren't very fast. Today, boards are fast!

1970s

The Lords of Dogtown



The Z-Boys are a famous 1970s team of skateboarders from California. They do their skateboard stunts in empty swimming pools! Now there's a film about the Z-Boys: *The Lords of Dogtown*.

What do these words mean? You can look in a dictionary.
team empty film world air

Then and now!

SKATEBOARDING NOW

Some towns have skate parks. Skateboarders meet here and skate on ramps and pipes. Livingston Skate Park in Scotland is a very famous park. Skateboarders from all over the world go there to skate.



An Ollie



Skateboarding stunts have different names. The 'Ollie' and the 'kickflip' are two cool stunts.

A Kickflip



Does your town have a skate park? Do you go there? Can you do any skating stunts?

Street skateboarders don't go to skate parks. They try their stunts on steps and walls.



Can you find these words in the pictures?
swimming pool steps walls

Tony Hawk is a world-famous skateboarder. He can do a '900' – that's 2.5 turns in the air! There are lots of Tony Hawk PlayStation games.



Tony Hawk