Ice Hockey presentation

Hello, I prepared presentation about **Ice Hockey**. I will talk about **History**, **Rules**, **Penalties**, **Hockey** **Leagues** and **IIHF.**

# Basics

Let’s first talk about some basic information. So, ice hockey is **contact collective team sport** played at the **indoor rink**. The main aim of this sport is to **outscore** the opponent team. The game is divided into **3 thirds of 20 minutes**, so the total game time is normally **60 minutes**. One team consist of **20 players and 2 goalies**. During the game only 5 players and 1 goalie are on the ice from each team. Origins of the ice hockey are from Canada

# History

**Montreal** is considered as the birthplace of organized ice hockey, because on **3th March 1875** was played first match played on **Victoria Skating Rink** in Montreal between two nine-player teams. 2 years after that was founded the first ice hockey club, called **McGill University Hockey Club**. In the next decade many clubs were founded. And to organize all those clubs the first ice hockey association was created – it was **Amateur Hockey Association of Canada.** These are the beginnings of amateur ice hockey.

The next stage was **Professional era**. In 1902 was created **Western Pennsylvania Hockey League,** which is considered asfirst professional ice hockey league, who employed professionals. In **1909**, the **National Hockey Association** (NHA) was formed in Montreal. NHA refine the rules of ice hockey and introduce the penalties. In **26th November 1917** National Hockey Association expanded into USA and the **National Hockey League** was created.

# Rules

The game is played on **ice**. The **objective** is to score goals by a rubber puck into opponent's goal net. Players use their **sticks** to **pass** or **shoot** the puck. **Forward positions** consist of a **centre** and **two wingers**. **Defencemen** usually stay together as a pair generally divided between **left** and **right**. **Substitutions** are allowed at any time during the game. If, after 60 minutes, the match end as a draw, the **overtime** follows. **Overtime** is shorter period, in which teams continue to play until a goal is scored. If overtime ends also as a draw it is followed by **penalty shootout**.

# Penalties

Penalties are imposed for the violation of the rules judged by **referees**. The offending player is sent to **penalty box** and his team has to play with one less player. There are 3 most common types of penalties – **Minor penalties** lasts for **2 minutes**, **Major penalties** lasts for **5 minutes**, **Double minor penalties** are **two consecutive penalties of 2 minutes duration.**

# NHL

Professional ice hockey league in North America considered as the best hockey league in the world. And I definitely agree with this statement. NHL consist of **31 teams**, which 24 are from **USA** and 7 from **Canada**. The league is divided into **Western and Eastern Conference**. The season consists of 2 parts the **regular season,** where the 8 best teams from each conference advance to **playoffs**. The winner wins the **Stanley Cup,** which is the oldest professional sport trophy in North America. The most NHL titles has **Montreal Canadiens** (24), **Toronto Maple Leafs** (13), **Detroit Red Wings** (11). The most productive players of all time are **Wayne Gretzky** (2857), **Jaromír Jágr** (1921), **Mark Messier** (1887).

1. So, here are some famous NHL players from history.
2. Here are players who are currently playing in the NHL and are considered as one of the bests.
3. Here are some famous players from Czech Republic.
4. And here are some players from Slovakia.

# IIHF

The **International Ice Hockey Federation** is a worldwide governing body for ice hockey. It was founded in **1908**. The main functions of the IIHF are to govern, develop hockey throughout the world and organize ice hockey tournaments. IIHF tournaments are divided into **international** and **club** **tournaments**. Best known international tournaments are **Ice Hockey World Championships**, **IIHF World U20 Championship**, **IIHF World Women's Championships**. I would like to mention also **Champions Hockey League,** which is club tournament organized by IIHF. In this tournament are participating the best teams from major European leagues. And I think it is really interesting.

# Ice hockey world Championships

It is international men's ice hockey tournament held every year. There are **16 teams** split in **2 groups** based on their world ranking. Each team plays 7 games after those games 4 better teams from both groups will advance to **playoff** stage. Last team from each group is automatically **relegated** into second division. The most successful countries are **Canada** (50), **Sweden** (47) and **USA** (19). **Czech** **Republic** has 12 medals and **Slovakia** just 4.

# Ice hockey at the Olympic games

The ice hockey was introduced at the **1920 Summer Olympics**. 4 years after was permanently transferred to the Winter Olympic Games program. The first women's tournament was first held at the **1998 Winter Olympics.** The most successful countries are **Canada** (16), **USA** (11) and **Sweden** (9). **Czech** **Republic** has 22 medals and **Slovakia** 0, but we were 4th in 2010 :D.

# Tipsport extraliga

Is the highest- level ice hockey league in the **Czech Republic**. It was created in **1993** by the split of the **Czechoslovak First Ice Hockey League**. I found on the internet that this league is considered as the fifth best ice hockey league in the world which is pretty amazing, I would say. There are **14 teams** and the winner wins **T.G. Masaryk Cup.**