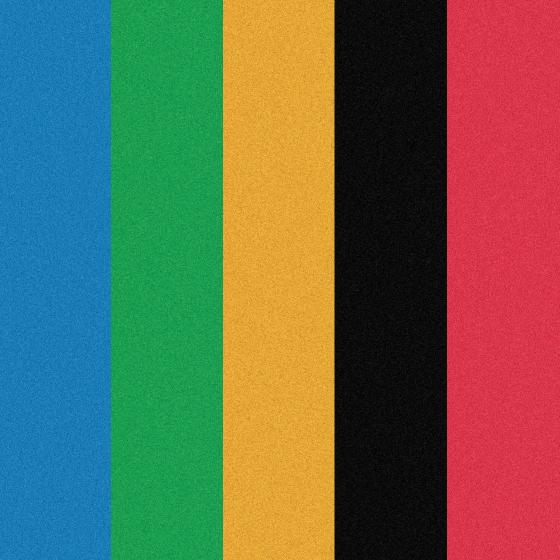
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ERIC LIDDELL'S 1924 OLYMPIC STORY G (1): \







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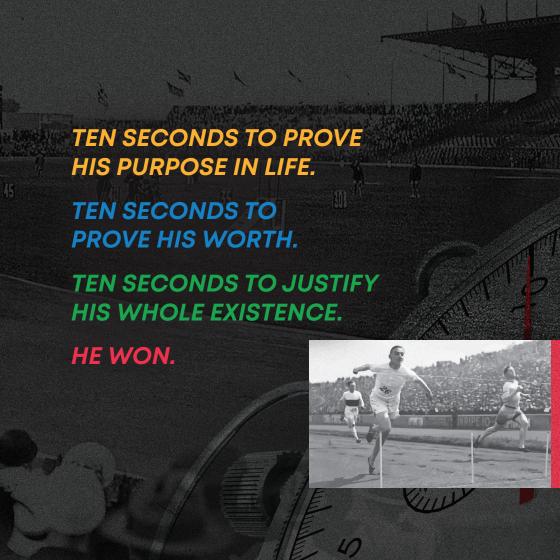




"AND NOW, IN ONE HOUR'S TIME,
I WILL BE OUT THERE AGAIN.
I WILL RAISE MY EYES AND LOOK
DOWN THAT CORRIDOR – FOUR
FEET WIDE, WITH TEN LONELY
SECONDS TO JUSTIFY MY WHOLE
EXISTENCE. BUT WILL I?"

Six men lined up for the 100 metres final at the 1924 Paris Olympic Games.

Harold Abrahams of Great Britain was convinced that winning gold would be the defining moment of his life.





The original Olympic motto was "Citius, Altius, Fortius" – Faster, Higher, Stronger. Since 2021, this has become "Faster, Higher, Stronger – Together", acknowledging the unifying ability of sport. Games after Olympic Games, we see countries get behind their representatives as individuals set goals, push boundaries and demonstrate brilliance.





When the wins come, a whole nation celebrates. Who could forget the elation of Super Saturday when Jessica Ennis-Hill, Greg Rutherford and Mo Farah won gold one after another in the 2012 London

Olympics? These 44 minutes are recognised as Great Britain's greatest moment at a summer Olympics.²

Abrahams' win in 1924 met similar scenes:

"... the crowd went wild for him [with] 'indescribable enthusiasm' ... the cheering lasting 'some minutes, a truly international tribute.' ... The scene of enthusiasm was beyond description, by far the greatest ovation yet seen here ..."³

