

Running Records

Approach: Independent

Level: Year 8

Focus: Comparing times (minutes, seconds and decimals).

Resources: None.

Questions/instructions:

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This table shows times for the men's Olympic 1500-metre race.

They were recorded between 1960 and 2000. Use the table to answer the questions.

Olympic men's 1500-metre times

1960	Herb Elliott	3:35.6
1964	Peter Snell	3:38.1
1968	Kip Keino	3:34.9
1972	Pekka Vasala	3:36.3
1976	John Walker	3:39.17
1980	Sebastian Coe	3:38.4
1984	Sebastian Coe	3:32.53
1988	Peter Rono	3:35.96
1992	Fermin Cacho	3:40.12
1996	Noureddine Morceli	3:35.78
2000	Noah Ngeny	3:32.07

1. What was the fastest time?

3:32.07/Noah Ngeny

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2. What was the second fastest time?

3:32.53/Seb Coe

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3. What was the slowest time?

3:40.12/Fermin Cacho

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