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Legendary Shoes

An activity of "Gout Gout: Say hello to the sprinter ..."

Read the article, "Gout Gout: Say hello to the sprinter who could be athletics' next super-star" (pages 25-26, *What's Up* August 2025). Let's take a closer look at successful athletes. Then, let their stories inspire you to design a winning pair of sneakers.

1. Based on the article, respond to these prompts in point form.

a) Describe two challenges that young sports stars like Gout Gout face.

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b) Which part of Gout Gout's story inspires you the most? Why?

c) Which do you think is harder — achieving success or staying successful? Why?

2. Browse through these inspirational quotes by famous athletes. Which quote spoke to you the most? Why?

"I have trained 4 years to run only 9 seconds. There are people who do not see results in 2 months, give up, and leave." — Usain Bolt

"Work hard in silence. Let your success be the noise." — Simone Biles

"Never say never, because limits, like fears, are often just an illusion." — Michael Jordan

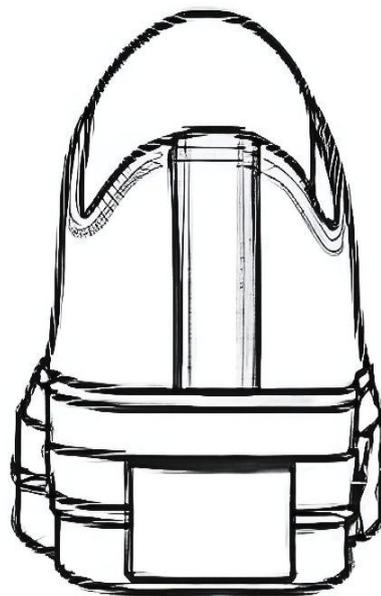
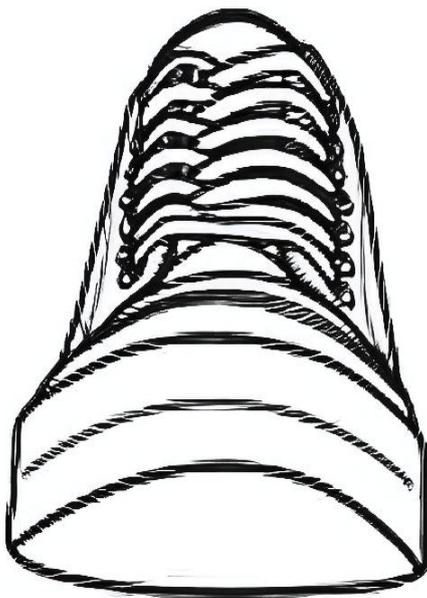
"I don't like to lose. At anything. Yet I've grown most not from victories but setbacks." — Serena Williams

"The day you think there is no improvements to be made is a sad one for any player." — Lionel Messi

"This moment is not about me, it's really for my country, it's about all my coaches, my friends, my family that believed that when I was a six-year-old kid that I could do it." — Joseph Schooling

3. Using the sneaker template below, provide a sneaker design inspired by Gout Gout and other star athletes' quotes. You can:

- Incorporate symbols/ colours that are linked to the person
- Include a tagline/ words/ ideas linked to their famous quotes or values (e.g. "Never say never", "Finish strong", etc.)
- Have 1-2 features that connect to their story/ life (e.g. country colours, sports symbols linked to them, etc.)



3. Write a brief explanation about your design.

4. Present your sneaker design to the class with the accompanying description to explain your design concept.