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Brilliant Bolt Grabs Gold Again!

Jamaican Sprinter Takes London by Storm Winning Three Olympic Gold Medals

Exclusive Report by John Stevenson

Usain Bolt reaffirmed his title as the World's Fastest Man by achieving a marvellous third gold medal of the games this week. In front of a deafening capacity crowd in London's Olympic Stadium, the 25-year-old world record holder completed a remarkable set of victories to establish himself as one of the greatest sprinters of all time.

Following earlier victories in both the 100m and 200m individual sprint, Bolt inspired his Jamaica team-mates to a third triumph in the 4x100m relay. The three gold medals are added to his personal collection alongside similar achievements in the corresponding individual events of Beijing in 2008.

Afterwards, the reigning 100m and 200m world champion was understandably buoyant in his celebrations.

"It's a brilliant feeling. It's been a long road. I'm happy, but I'm relieved. It's great to be in the history books as one of the greatest. I'm proud of myself," he told reporters.

Although other athletes have won more medals than Bolt, including American sprinter Carl Lewis who was commenting for a television network, no-one else can match the explosive power and unrivalled pace exhibited by Bolt.



Usain Bolt: winner of three Olympic gold medals in London

The sprinter's Jamaican team-mates were equally jubilant following their relay victory, describing it as a momentous day in Athletics history. Even the American team, who were disqualified from the relay following a disastrous illegal baton handover, were gracious in defeat. Admitting disappointment at missing out on a team medal, Justin Gatlin promised supporters that the team had given it all they could and refused to criticise the officials' decision, but did apologise to the US fans.

Now thinking ahead to his future and the potential of bringing down the curtain on a glittering Athletics career, Bolt confirmed that he intends to compete in 2016 but retire before the next Olympic Games in 2020. Instead, he will focus on charity work, a likely ambassador role in the sport or could even consider a dramatic switch to another sport such as football. As the crowds filtered out of the magnificent stadium, the talk was all about just one man - the incredible Usain Bolt, who is surely already an Olympic legend.

Indirect Speech

Jamaican team all explaining how they made history

There are no speech marks

Indirect Speech

There are no inverted commas (speech marks) or reporting clause

IT tells the reader what Justin Gatlin promised his supporters

Indirect Speech

There are no speech marks or inverted commas. Bolt is describing what he might do now he has retired from athletics.

Indirect speech - no speech marks summarising the crowds' thoughts and feelings about Bolt

Direct Speech
Bolt explaining his feelings about making history
Speech marks are used to punctuate the actual words spoken by Usain Bolt