

Rory McIlroy Cloze Activity

Week Twenty-One Homework



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Read the passage below and use the words from the box to fill in the blanks. Discuss Rory McIlroy with people at home. Research any terms you do not understand.

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After turning professional in 2007, Rory began competing in some of the most _____ events and championships around the world. His first _____ championship win at the US Open at Congressional in Bethesda, Maryland secured Rory's place _____ the world's best golfers. In August 2012 He won the PGA Championship in South Carolina. In July 2014, McIlroy won the Open Championship, golf's oldest and most _____ trophy. He also won the US PGA Championship in August of that year. In May 2016, McIlroy won the Irish Open in Co Kildare. He said that "to win in front of my home fans and to look up and see my _____ and family there is something very special to me'. McIlroy has been _____ RTÉ Sports Person of the Year in 2011 and 2014.

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