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**Instructions:** Use your imagination to create "The Next Champion ?" news story using the pictures.



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*Next .... Wimbledon??*

*Useful Vocabulary*

practice training championship  
"US Open" winner coach  
serving win victory interview trophy

## The Next Champion

Arabella's family escaped war, in Europe, and settled in a rural area, in a new country. They were very poor, and had to fight for everything they had. The children used to play in a dusty field. This was when, Arabella's father, saw her talent, for hitting a ball. And, she had amazing co-ordination. So, he decided to train her. They worked out in a park, because they couldn't afford to pay for professional training. Not only that, the locals looked down on Arabella, because she came from another country. People constantly told her, that she wasn't good enough to be a pro.

However, Arabella got very good, very quickly. Everyone started to respect her, and her family.

She began winning junior competitions, and suddenly she had a huge success. She came from nowhere, to win the US Open. It was an incredible achievement. The tennis world was stunned!

But even now, her life was not easy. She was constantly in the spotlight, and had to deal with, the media scrutiny that came with it. She had to manage the pressure, of being the face of her sport, and representing her new country. Now, everyone is asking, if she can win another Grand Slam. Can she win Wimbledon, or the French Open?

1. How did Arabella's father discover her talent?

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2. Why couldn't Arabella's family afford professional training?

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3. Why was Arabella's win at the US Open so significant?

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4. Why is it difficult for Arabella to deal with the media scrutiny?

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5. What would happen if Arabella lost a major tennis match?

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1. Arabella's father discovered her talent when she was playing in a dusty field.
2. Arabella's family couldn't afford professional training because they were very poor.
3. Arabella's win at the US Open was significant because she came from nowhere to win the competition.
4. It is difficult for Arabella to deal with the media scrutiny because she is constantly in the spotlight.
5. If Arabella lost a major tennis match, she would be criticized by the media.