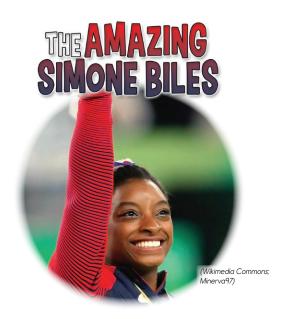
THE AMAZING SINONE BILES

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bendable	impressionable	wo
teachable	unstoppable	oth
unthinkable	uncomfortable	
impossible		

Irregular High-Frequency Words		
through	about	
won	always	
other		

^{*}denotes a temporarily irregular high-frequency word

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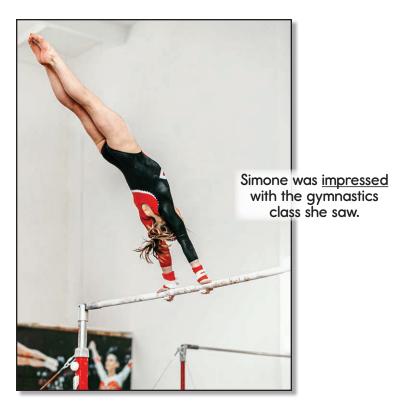
Have you ever seen someone flip, twist, and jump so high it seems impossible? That is what Simone Biles does!

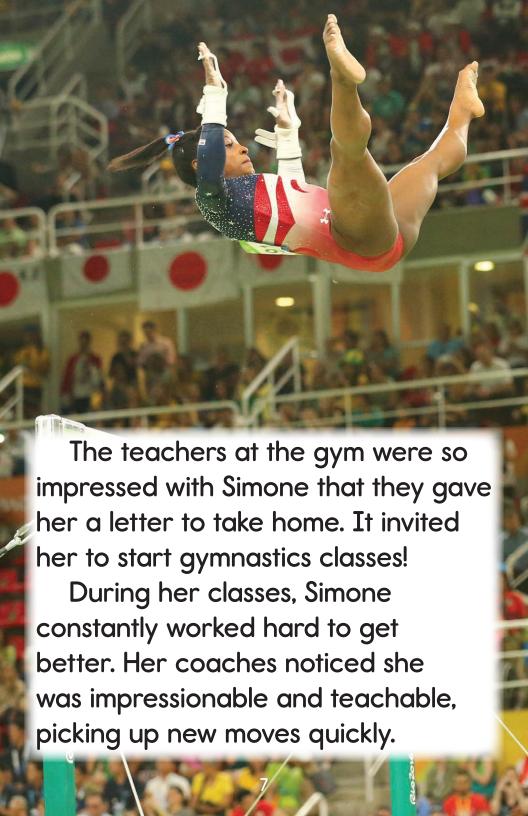
Simone is one of the most respectable and recognizable champions in gymnastics. She didn't start out as a champion, though. Let's find out how she got there!



A Life-Changing Trip

When Simone was just six years old, her daycare went on a trip to a gymnastics gym. Simone watched bendable girls flipping and tumbling through the air. She could not sit still—she had to try their moves! Simone copied the gymnasts, and her flips amazed everyone.





A Secret Superpower

At age 9, Simone found out she had <u>ADHD</u>. It was hard for Simone to sit still, but it also gave her endless energy in the gym! Simone calls her ADHD her "superpower" because it makes her unstoppable in the gym.





Winner!

At age 16, Simone competed in the Olympics and won four gold medals! She flipped through the air with unthinkable skill. Her moves were so impossible for others to copy that they were named after her. Simone became one of the greatest gymnasts in history.



Facing Challenges

Simone did not always have it easy. Sometimes she felt uncomfortable under so much pressure. But Simone showed that it's okay to take breaks and ask for help. Her teachable spirit inspired others to be brave and take care of themselves, too.



Making a Difference

Simone is not just a gymnast—she is a role model! She speaks openly about taking care of yourself, showing that even champions need rest. Simone also helps make sports more welcoming for kids. She shows that being kind and helping others is just as important as winning medals.





Simone Biles shows that hard work and bravery can lead to amazing things. Her story is evidence that challenges don't have to stop us—they can make us stronger. What big dreams will you chase, just like Simone?



GLOSSARY

ADHD

attention deficit hyperactivity disorder; a condition that makes it hard to sit still or focus

<u>impressed</u>

feeling amazed or surprised because someone did something really well

<u>respectable</u>

someone who is greatly admired

Second Grade - Book 68 Additional Affixes: -able. -ible

Have you ever seen someone flip, twist, and soar through the air like Simone Biles? From discovering gymnastics on a daycare trip to becoming one of the greatest gymnasts in history, Simone's journey is full of hard work, bravery, and inspiration. Her story shows that challenges can be turned into superpowers—and that kindness and courage are just as important as winning medals.

