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He is inspired by Waqar Younis, a former cricket player.
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8. Explain how Bolt has shown resilience in his professional career.
In 2004, Bolt went to the Olympic Games in Athens but a leg injury stopped him from winning any medals. He was injured for some time but came back stronger to win gold at the 2008 Olympic Games.
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