

Ethiopian precious athletes

- ❖ Haile Gebre Selassie, World champion and Olympic Champion, has broken more than 22 world records. He currently holds the 20 kilometre world record.
- ❖ Kenenisa Bekele, World champion world cross country champion and Olympic champion, holds the 5,000 and 10,000 metre world records
- ❖ Derartu Tulu, was the first woman from Africa to win an Olympic gold medal in **10,000 metre** event at **Barcelona**.
- ❖ Abebe Bikila, won the Olympic marathon in **1960** and **1964**, setting world records both times. He is well known for winning **the 1960** marathon in Rome while running bare foot.
- ❖ Miruts Yifter, the first in a tradition of Ethiopia known for brilliant finishing speed, won **gold medals in 5,000** and **10,000** metres events at the Moscow Olympics in **1980**. He was the last man to achieve this feat.
- ❖ Fatuma Roba, was the first Ethiopian athlete ever to win Olympic marathon in **1996**.
- ❖ Tirunesh Dibaba, won the **5,000** metre race in Paris, France at 9th world champion ship at the age of 17

How many known athletes do you have?