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**BOXING**

# MUNDINE

# CHAMPION

Aboriginal world champions clash for IBF title

**DANIEL GEALE**

Age: 28  
 Birth Place: Lauenston, TAS  
 Stance: Orthodox  
 Height: 5'07 1/2 in  
 Reach: 27 1/8 in  
 Record: 21 Wins (13 KO), 0 Losses, 0 Draws

**ANTHONY MUNDINE**

Age: 33  
 Birth Place: Newswell, NSW  
 Stance: Orthodox  
 Height: 5'11 1/8 in  
 Reach: 27 1/8 in  
 Record: 35 Wins (23 KO), 3 Losses, 0 Draws

**FOR THE FIRST TIME IN BOXING HISTORY, TWO ABORIGINAL WORLD CHAMPIONS SQUARE OFF WHEN ANTHONY MUNDINE CHALLENGES DANIEL GEALE FOR HIS IBF MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE.**

The indigenous community has a proud tradition in the sport of boxing, and some of our earliest sporting champions made a name for themselves in the boxing ring.

A sign of the times, many local fighters fought for a prize considered the most prestigious fight in the past, and some went on to win it. Many were known to fight with no preparation to all but routine occasions and they still held their own or defeated the best fighters the country had to offer.

Many Aboriginal fighters found success in the ring, although it rarely was noted to an extent the outside of a Star forward to the present day and they have developed.

There have been three Aboriginal world champions in the past 19 years in Anthony Mundine, Robbie Feilen and Daniel Geale – an amazing achievement.

Never before though have two Aboriginal world champions faced each other. Like now, with IBF middleweight champion Daniel Geale taking

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Daniel Geale

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Anthony Mundine

on former WBA super middleweight champion Anthony Mundine for a shot at international glory.

Win, lose or draw, the bout, which is being staged on 27 May at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre, is looking likely to be Anthony’s final fight on Australian soil, bearing a potential rematch with arch-rival Danny Green.

The Mar says winning Daniel’s IBF title will launch him towards a series of big scoring bouts abroad when he’ll get himself against the biggest names in the middleweight division.

Daniel, 28, has enjoyed an impressive start to his professional career and enters the bout with a pristine record of 21 fights for 21 wins.

He is the forgotten champ of Australia boxing, an experienced amateur who won Gold at the 2000 Commonwealth Games and clinched the world title in 2007 by outpointing Daniel Feilen in Perth.

Greatly underrated, Daniel says he’s ready to shock the Australian boxing public by defeating Mundine on 27 May.

“It’s time to step it up and this is the fight where I’ll show what I can do, this is my time,” says Daniel. “He is a great fighter, we can just wait and see.”

A victory for Daniel will put him in the position to step up and take on IBF middleweight world champ Arthur Abrahams or WBA middleweight world champion Felix Sturm in his next fight.

Mundine believes he has fought his way to the middleweight division and is looking ahead to potential bouts with Kerry Pridel and Steve Ties going so a historic night. It’s going to be my final world title and this might be my last fight in Australia,” he says. “I can’t see anyone beating me in the next four, five years in the middleweight division.”

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Boxer Anthony Mundine is challenging Daniel Geale for his world championship middleweight title. This is the first time that two Aboriginal world champions will meet to decide the title. The bout will take place in Brisbane on May 27.

There have been three Aboriginal world champion boxers in the past 10 years – Anthony Mundine, Robbie Peden and Daniel Geale.

### Activity 1 Reading

Read *Mundine V Geale* on page 28 & 29

Shade one bubble.

#### 1. Daniel Geale was born in

- Brisbane
- Launceston
- Sydney
- Newtown

#### 2. Which boxer is taller?

- Mundine
- Geale

#### 3. Which weight division will Mundine and Geale fight at?

- heavyweight
- flyweight
- middleweight
- super heavyweight

#### 4. What is this text mainly about?

- Aboriginal boxers in Australia
- Indigenous sports players overseas
- the world championship fight between Mundine and Geale
- how to box

#### 5. Number the bubbles 1,2,3,4 to show the correct order of events.

- Geale won a gold medal at the 2002 Commonwealth Games
- Geale defeated Daniel Dawson in Perth to win the world title
- Mundine will fight Geale for the Middleweight World Championship in Brisbane
- many Indigenous boxers fought for less prize money than non-Indigenous boxers

#### 6. What is the main purpose of this text?

- to warn
- to argue
- to inform
- to criticise



## Activity 2

Language conventions - Spelling

The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been circled.  
Write the correct spelling for each word in the box.

1. Anthony Mundine is **chalenging** Daniel Geale.

2. It is for the **midlewait** title.

3. The Indigenous **comunity** has a proud tradition  
in the sport of boxing.

4. **They're** have been three Aboriginal world  
champions in the past decade.

5. Both boxers are looking forward to **wining**.

The spelling mistakes on these labels have been circled.  
Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

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boxing

**gluvs**

**mussles**

profeshinal

**fighter**





Below is some writing from *Mundine V Geale*  
Each line has one word that is incorrect.  
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

For the first time in boxing history,

two Aboriginal world champions squere

of in the middleweight title fight.

### Activity 3

Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

1. Some early Aboriginal sporting champions \*\*\*\*\* a name for themselves in the boxing ring.

- made
- will make
- makes
- making

2. Many Aboriginal boxers of the past \*\*\*\*\* success in the boxing ring.

- find
- found
- finds
- finding

3. Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?  
This fight will be held  May.

- in
- on
- at
- for

4. Which of the following gives an instruction?

- I'm not sure who will win the fight.
- You must watch this fight.
- Who will win the fight?
- There won't be another fight like this in a decade.



## Activity 4

Punctuation

### 1. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

Shade one bubble.

- Are you going to Brisbane.
- Are you going to Brisbane?
- are you going to Brisbane.
- are you going to Brisbane?

### 2. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

Shade one bubble.

- Im going to try my best
- Im going to try my best?
- I'm going to try my best.
- I'm going to try my best

### 3. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

Shade one bubble.

- "It's time to step up and this is the fight where I'll show what I can do," says Daniel.
- It's time to step up and this is the fight where I'll show what I can do says Daniel.
- "Its time to step up and this is the fight where Ill show what I can do" says Daniel.

## Activity 5

Writing a narrative

The common Stages and phases of an effective narrative often include:

Stages	phases
Orientation	This sets the scene, creating a visual picture of the setting, atmosphere and time of the story. Characters are introduced and clues are set in place for the coming complication.
	Sequence of events that is expected



<b>Complication</b>	An unexpected problem or complication occurs that affects the main character. This usually creates tension.
	Characters react to the problem.
	Problem seems to be resolved.
	A new problem occurs, which is now often worse than before.
<b>Resolution</b>	The problem is solved and the story ends.
<b>Evaluation</b>	Characters reflect on what has happened.

### Write a narrative.

The idea for your story is DANGER.



Your story might be about a dangerous person, being in a dangerous situation, or something dangerous that is about to happen.

Your story could be about how people in dangerous situations find courage, help or understanding.

### Think about:

- The characters and where they are.
- The complication or problem to be solved.
- How the story will end.

### Remember to:

- Plan your story before you start.
- Write in sentences.
- Pay attention to the words you choose, your spelling and punctuation.
- Check and edit your writing when you have finished.