



QUICK QUOTES

Ice Dance, Free Dance (warm up group 2)

Angelique Abachkina/Louis Thauron (FRA) 2018 National bronze medalists

Abachkina: (on the missed lift at the end of the program) My skate slipped from his pants and I couldn't get up and I fell down. It's not even imbalance. It was all fine and then my skate just slipped. It's very sad, but it happens. (on their choice of music) It means a lot to both of us because it's in French and it's very personal to us. We really understand the lyrics and we skate it from our hearts. (on being at their first European Championships) It's a big experience for us – to skate in front of so many people, in such a big arena. It's an important experience for us to learn to manage our stress.

Anna Yanovskaya/Adam Lukasc (HUN), 2018 National Champions

Yanovskaya: We are so happy, of course. We always want to skate bigger and stronger and to improve, but for our first European Championships together we are so pleased with the skate. It's good to compete at home (they train in Moscow) because we have such a strong and supportive team with us. We want to thank them so much, and the Federation for letting us train here. (on how they became partners) I got in touch with Adam and asked him if he wanted to skate, and now here we are!

Marie-Jade Lauriault/Romain Le Gac (FRA) 2018 National silver medalists

Lauriault: We are very happy with our skate and what makes us happy the most is the people in the stands clapping and having fun. They moved us and it made us happy to give a little bit of joy to the people.

Le Gac: (on the choice of music, Take My Breath Away and Another One Bites the Dust by Queen) The story of finding our music is interesting. We chose Another One Bites the Dust first. We wanted to have more energy compared to our music last year, (Tonight and Sorry Seems to be the Hardest Word by Elton John) music with more joy and not so sad. Then we thought something French like Charles Aznavour but our coach (Romain Haguenauer) said it wouldn't work so we started listening to other albums of Queen. We found Another One Bites the Dust and the beginning was the perfect start we were looking for.