



Team sports in Britain

1 My favourite team sport

- a) Write 3–4 sentences about your favourite team sport: What is it? Where do you do/play it? And what do you like about it?

2 Rugby – Britain's number two sport

- a) Go to <http://www.youtube.com> and type in 'Rugby for beginners'. Then click onto the video 'Rugby for beginners: a guide to the rules of rugby union'.

Watch the first part of the film (0:00–5:52). Are the statements true or false? Tick ✓ the correct answer. (Some of the rugby laws are complicated, but don't worry if you don't understand everything!)



	true	false
1. The ball looks like an egg.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. A rugby pitch is bigger than a football pitch.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Each half of the game is 40 minutes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. A rugby team has got 14 players.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. The players called 'the forwards' do the easy work.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. You use your hands and feet to play rugby.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. You can only pass the ball backwards.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. A scrum is formed if you drop the ball and it bounces backwards.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- b) Watch part of the film again (3:06–4:15) and find out how many points you get when you do the following actions successfully:

Action	Points	Action	Points
Try	<input type="text"/>	Penalty kick (between the posts)	<input type="text"/>
Conversion (between the posts)	<input type="text"/>	Drop goal	<input type="text"/>

law [lɔ:] hier: Regel post [pəʊst] Pfosten heavy ['hevi] schwer backwards ['bækwədʒ] rückwärts successfully [sək'sesfli] erfolgreich penalty ['penlti] Strafe forward ['fɔ:wəd] vorwärts scrum [skɾʌm] Gedränge bounce [baʊns] springen



c) Watch the end of the film (09:45–11:00) and tick ✓ the right answers.

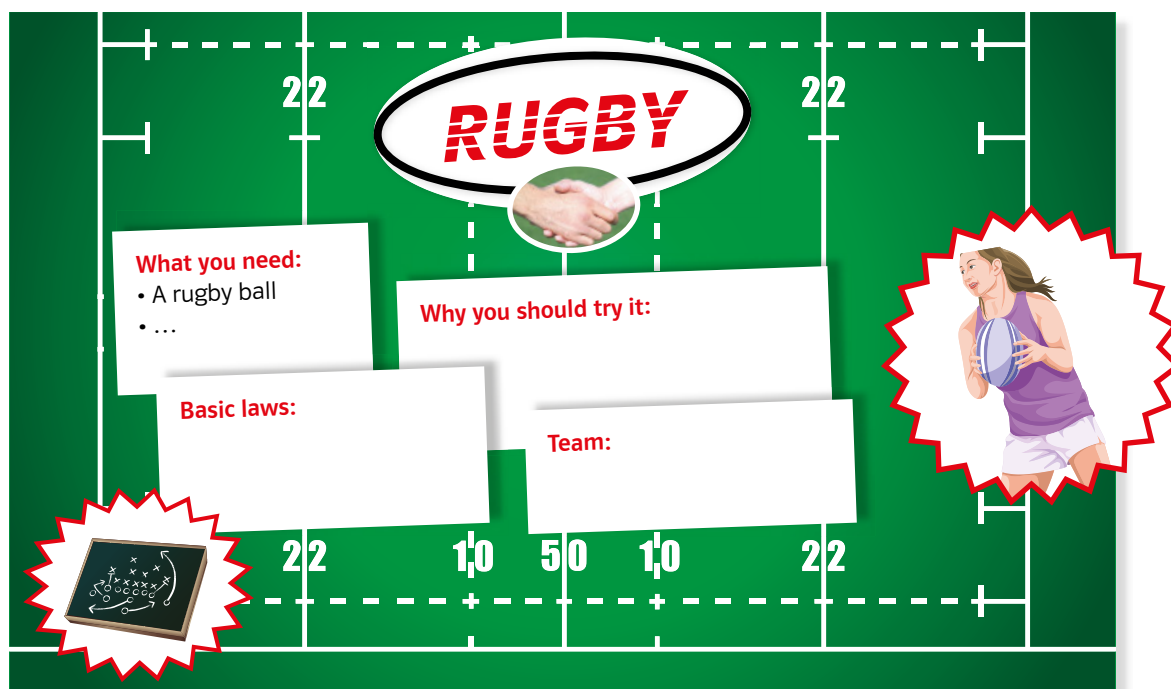
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| 1. Rugby is ... | 2. Respect plays ... |
| a) <input type="checkbox"/> a sport only for men and boys. | a) <input type="checkbox"/> no role at all. |
| b) <input type="checkbox"/> a physical and tough sport. | b) <input type="checkbox"/> only a small role. |
| c) <input type="checkbox"/> a very expensive sport. | c) <input type="checkbox"/> a very important role. |
| 3. When the referee makes a decision, ... | 4. When the teams and the referee leave the pitch, ... |
| a) <input type="checkbox"/> the players have to accept it. | a) <input type="checkbox"/> they all hate each other. |
| b) <input type="checkbox"/> the players often want to discuss it. | b) <input type="checkbox"/> they always sing a song together. |
| c) <input type="checkbox"/> the players never accept it. | c) <input type="checkbox"/> they get applause. |
| 5. Sportsmanship is ... | 6. Rugby is fun for ... |
| a) <input type="checkbox"/> also very important. | a) <input type="checkbox"/> young people only. |
| b) <input type="checkbox"/> not very important. | b) <input type="checkbox"/> all ages. |
| c) <input type="checkbox"/> the most important thing. | c) <input type="checkbox"/> adults only. |

3 Join our team!



Imagine you are in a school rugby team and you need to find more players. Why should young people try it and join your team? Make a poster. Use the information above and add more information from the internet. Then present your poster.

Or: Make a poster about another popular team sport in Britain, like cricket or hockey. Present it and explain what's different from rugby.



physical ['fɪzɪkəl] körperlich ○ tough [taɪf] hier: brutal; rau ○ opponent [ə'pəʊnənt] Gegner/-in ○ referee [refɪ'ri] Schiedsrichter/-in ○
to applaud [ə'plɔ:d] applaudieren ○ applause [ə'plɔ:z] Applaus ○ sportsmanship ['spɔ:tsmənʃɪp] Fairness ○ age [eɪdʒ] Alter