


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="checkbox"/>	 Penalty kick (between the posts)	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Conversion (between the posts)	<input type="checkbox"/>	 Drop goal	<input type="checkbox"/>

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 [skɹʌm] Gedränge bounce [baʊns] springen

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

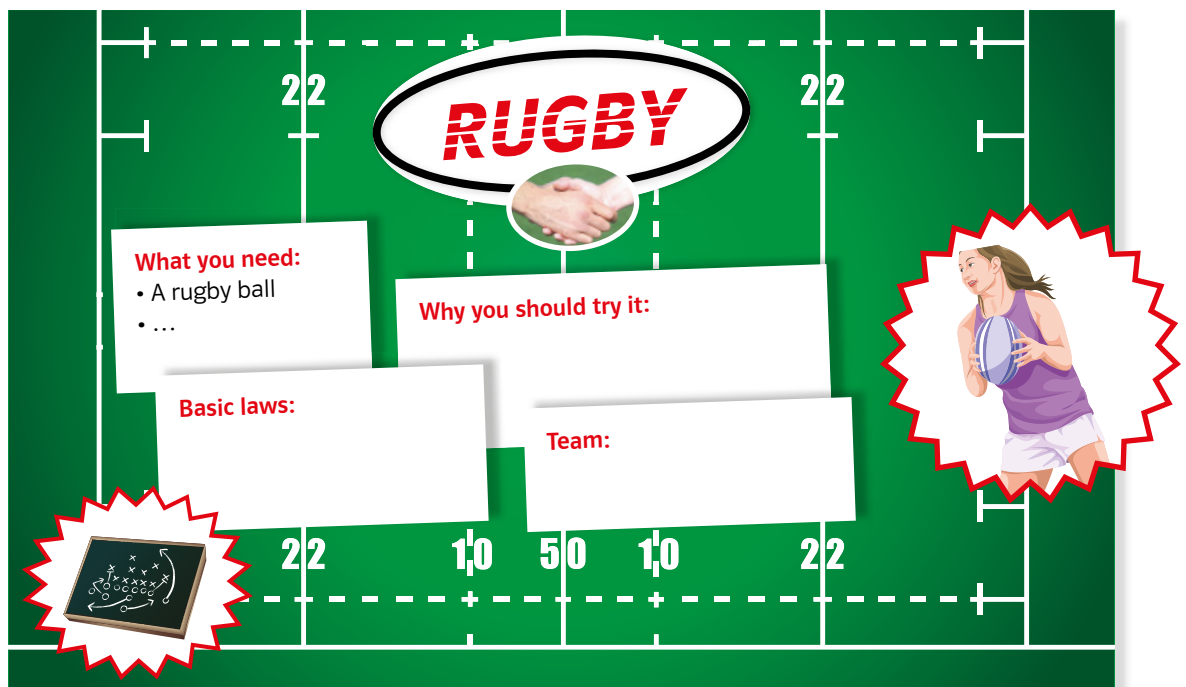
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| <p>1. Rugby is ...</p> <p>a) <input type="checkbox"/> a sport only for men and boys.</p> <p>b) <input type="checkbox"/> a physical and tough sport.</p> <p>c) <input type="checkbox"/> a very expensive sport.</p> | <p>2. Respect plays ...</p> <p>a)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

3 Join our team!



Imagine you are in a school rugby team and you need to find more players. Make a poster about rugby that shows why young people should try it and join your team. 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 ['fɪzɪkl] körperlich ○ tough [taɪf] hier: brutal; rau ○ opponent [ə'pɒnənt] Gegner/-in ○ referee [refrɪ] Schiedsrichter/-in ○ to applaud [ə'plɔ:d] applaudieren ○ applause [ə'plɔ:z] Applaus ○ sportsmanship ['spɔ:tsmənʃɪp] Fairness ○ age [eɪdʒ] Alter