

English and Football: two global languages!

Wherever you go in the world, people make a connection through football. Whether it's a group of kids kicking a ball about in a park, or men and women in a high-profile business meeting, football has a special way of bringing people together regardless of age, nationality, race or language.

This book uses the 'the beautiful game' to inspire and stimulate language, conversation and discussion, and exploits it for use in your language classroom. The book covers everyday general English vocabulary and grammar, all within the very popular and motivating theme of football, as well as some basic football terminology for the real fans!



In other words, the purpose of this book is not to teach and practise the language of *football* in English, but to teach and practise the language of *English* in the *context* of football. Learning English should be fun and memorable, and many of your pupils (especially the boys, let's be honest!) will be very motivated to learn English if it has something to do with football.

And, just as football can be played in a glamorous stadium or in a dusty street, the material in this unique resource book can be used anywhere and in any way – whether you have a state-of-the-art classroom with Internet access, or if it's just you, your pupils and their desks.

About this book

English Through Football starts from the language the learners already know, but offers them the chance to do and say much more. It exploits the universally known and popular topic of football, and presents or recycles everyday vocabulary and functions in a context with which many teens and young learners identify.

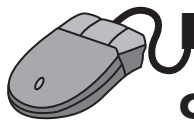
This book will help you to:

- Produce practical, fun lessons quickly
- Cover everyday vocabulary and regular structures
- Generate enthusiasm amongst even your most reluctant learners
- Make learning English memorable and relevant
- Build students' confidence
- Encourage creative use of language

The units contain lots of general language, allowing familiar vocabulary to be re-used in a football context. There is some football-specific vocabulary and some technical terms (which many pupils will welcome!) where necessary, to achieve the purpose of the activity. You can dip in and out of the units and activities, as with any resource, and adapt them in any way you like.

This book is divided into five sections, and each section contains a wide range of activities to practise and recycle the target language, and these can be adapted across all levels and ages.

1. Introduction & Activities
2. General English through Football
3. Football English
4. Art & Craft
5. Templates



Internet: Extra Time ►

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At the end of most units, there is also a section called *Internet: Extra Time* whose activities are on the NORTH STAR ELT website at www.northstarelt.co.uk/football. These activities are tied closely to the language focus of the unit for extra practice, and use other websites or online video clips as their basis. Websites sometimes change (or disappear!), so always check them before you do an activity in class. You'll also find useful football links and extra downloadable, topical activities on the website, too.