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Level 0

World Cup players must sing national anthem

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THE READING

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England's soccer coach said his players must sing their national anthem at the World Cup. It starts on June 12th. The first game is Brazil against Croatia. The coach wants people to see the pride his players have. He wants them to sing "loud and proud". He told reporters: "We are proud to be England players."

In the past, England players forgot to sing their anthem. The coach said: "Perhaps we need to remind them." He was worried that players did not know all the words. Many people do not know the second verse. Hodgson wants his players to have the same passion as other teams. Other teams play with their hands on their hearts.

Sources: <http://www.express.co.uk/sport/worldcup2014/479608/Roy-Hodgson-My-boys-will-be-in-tune>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. England's soccer | a. players have |
| 2. his players | b. reporters |
| 3. It starts on | c. must sing |
| 4. The first game is Brazil | d. coach |
| 5. see the pride his | e. be England players |
| 6. He wants them to sing | f. June 12th |
| 7. He told | g. "loud and proud" |
| 8. We are proud to | h. against Croatia |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. In the | a. remind them |
| 2. England players forgot | b. worried |
| 3. we need to | c. as other teams |
| 4. He was | d. past |
| 5. players did not know all | e. on their hearts |
| 6. people do not know | f. to sing |
| 7. have the same passion | g. the words |
| 8. play with their hands | h. the second verse |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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England's (1) _____ his players must sing their national (2) _____ World Cup. It starts on June 12th. The (3) _____ Brazil against Croatia. The coach wants (4) _____ the pride his players have. He (5) _____ sing "loud and proud". He told reporters: "We (6) _____ England players."

In the past, England players (7) _____ their anthem. The coach said: "Perhaps we (8) _____ them." He was worried that players (9) _____ the words. Many people (10) _____ second verse. Hodgson wants his players to (11) _____ passion as other teams. Other teams play (12) _____ on their hearts.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

