

Ted Lasso (3)

Ted Meets the Team

Part 1 Comprehension *Answer these questions after you watch the video.*

1. What is Coach Beard trying to teach Ted?
2. What do they say about Roy Kent? (Try to think of at least three things.)
3. Why is Ted so impressed with Nate?
4. What do they say about Jamie Tartt? (Try to think of two things.)
5. What do they say about Sam Obisanya? (Try to think of two things.)
6. Which country is the British player from?
7. How many countries are in Britain?
8. What does Ted smell in the locker room?
9. Why is the woman (Keeley) disappointed when she walks in?
10. Why does Jamie leave?

Part 2 Language Review *Change the underlined sports expressions from American to British English.*

1. Ted is the new soccer coach of AFC Richmond.
2. Ted and Coach Beard walk onto the field.
3. The team practices every morning.
4. Ted was surprised to find out that a soccer game can end in a tie.
5. The team pays for the players' cleats.
6. When I checked the standings, Richmond was in 8th place.

Part 3 Discussion *Discuss these questions with your partner or group.*

1. How do you think the three players mentioned (Roy, Jamie, Sam) will be important to the story? Think about each individually.
2. Roy Kent is the team captain, and he is very hard on the other players. Do you think this is a good leadership style in sports? How about in business? How about in the military?
3. Both Roy and Jamie seem difficult, but in different ways. What problems do you think Ted will have with each player?
4. Jamie says that he has to take off his shirt every time he scores a goal. What are some other ways that athletes celebrate success (i.e. scoring, winning, making a save)? Which do you like the most? Can you think of a specific celebration that was interesting or cool?
5. Football is a very international sport. Can you think of a footballer (past or present) from 10 different countries?
6. There are many things that have different names in British and American English. What are three examples from football? Can you think of five other examples that are not related to sports?
7. What do you know about the U.K. and Ireland? Can you put England, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales on this map? Where are Belfast, Cardiff, Dublin, Edinburgh, Liverpool, London, Manchester? How about Stonehenge? Hadrian's Wall?



Part 4 Sentence Building Write sentences about the video clip using the words given. You can change the word form or add words, but you cannot change the word order. Use a present time frame (mainly present tenses).

E.g. Ted / Coach Beard / practice / use / British / football / vocabulary

Ted and Coach Beard [practice/are practicing] using British football vocabulary.

1. Roy / yell / player / make / mistake
2. Ted / surprise / how / good / Nate / sports / drink / taste
3. Nate / surprised / Ted / remember / name
4. coach / then / discuss / player
5. Roy / Kent / win / Champion / League / Chelsea / eight / year / ago / but / he / lose / step
6. Jamie / Tartt / great / player / but / not / great / teammate
7. Sam / Obisanya / right / back / defend / out / Nigerian / league
8. Ted / Coach Beard / enter / locker / room / first / time
9. Ted / introduce / self / team
10. Keeley / walk / locker / room / while / Ted / talk / player
11. Jamie / leave / that / can / get / chest / wax

Script

Ted: Okay, let me use it in a sentence, so it sticks. The "gaffer"... me... is going out to the "pitch"...

Beard: Yeah.

Ted: The grass here... to watch practice.

Beard: "Training." They call practice "training."

Ted: All this vernacular. Gonna be tough. You know what? I'm going to get it though. Because training makes perfect.

Beard: There you go.

Ted: There's our man.

Roy: Jesus, Mary and fuckface Joseph! Eyes on the man you're marking! Come on!

Ted: Who is that?

Beard: Roy Kent. Team captain. Classic old-school box-to-box midfielder. Definitely lost a step.

Nate: But, you know, he's a legend. Won a Champions League with Chelsea, so...

Beard: Eight years ago.

Nate: Yeah.

Ted: Mmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm.

Nate: Oh, God, what?

Ted: That is a darn fine sports mix, young fella. Coach, (did) you try this?

Ted: That does not come lightly from that fella, I'll tell you that. You continue to impress, Nathan.

Nate: You remembered my name.

Ted: Holy smokes! Did you see that? That fella looked like a kitty cat when it gets spooked by a cucumber. Who the heck is that?

Beard: Jamie Tartt. Top scorer on the team.

Jamie: Fuck off.

Ted: Nate, what's he like?

Nate: Who, Jamie? He's great. You know, at football.

Ted: Yeah, I know fellas like that.

Beard: Sam Obisanya. He's a right back defender out of the Nigerian league.

Ted: Nigeria? Like Africa? So these fellas are from all over the place?

Player: I'm open, boyo.

Ted: I mean, he must be from England, yeah?

Beard: Wales.

Ted: Is that another country?

Beard: Yes and no.

Ted: How many countries are in this country?

Nate: Four.

Ted: It's kind of like America these days.

Ted: I do love a locker room. Smells like potential. And am I getting notes of Axe body spray?

Beard: Spot on, Coach. But I think they call it something else here.

Jamie: Come here. Look at your face. Look at your face.

Nate: Thanks, thanks, thanks.

Ted: Howdy, fellas. Don't stop what you're doing. My name's Ted Lasso. This here is Coach Beard. I know we don't officially start quite yet, but, you know, we just wanted to pop in, say howdy, let you know how excited we are to be here...

Keeley: Knock, knock. Is everyone in here decent? Oh boys, that's disappointing. Oh, shit. Am I interrupting you?

Ted: No, no, that's okay. How can I help you?

Keeley: No, I'm here to pick up that one.

Jamie: Yeah. Sorry, Coach. She made me an appointment. I'm getting waxed. It's more for the fans than it is for me. Score a goal, (I have) got to take my shirt off.

Keeley: Sweetheart.

Jamie: I mean, I can stay if you want.

Ted: No, that's okay.

Jamie: All right, cheers.

Ted: Anyhoo, thank you for your time.

Answers

Part 1

1. British sports vocabulary
2. He is a midfielder. He has won a championship. He is getting slower. He is the team captain.
3. He made a good sports mix (a delicious sports drink).
4. He has scored the most goals on the team. He is not a very nice guy.
5. He is a defender. He is from Nigeria.
6. Wales
7. Four
8. Axe body spray
9. All of the players are dressed.
10. He has to get his chest waxed.

Part 2

1. Ted is the new football manager/gaffer of AFC Richmond.
2. Ted and Coach Beard walk onto the pitch.
3. The team trains every morning.
* team = players (AmE/BrE)
4. The club pays for the players' boots.
* team = organization (AmE), club = organization (BrE)
5. Ted was surprised to find out that a football match can end in a draw.
6. When I checked the table, Richmond was in 8th place.

Part 4

1. Roy yells at a player for making a mistake.
Roy yells at a player who made a mistake.
Roy yells at a player because he made a mistake.
2. Ted is surprised [by/at] how good Nate's sports drink tastes.
3. Nate is surprised (that) Ted [remembers/remembered] his name.
4. The coaches then discuss the players.
5. Roy Kent won a Champions League with Chelsea eight years ago, but he has lost a step.
6. Jamie Tartt is a great player_(,) but (he is) not a great teammate.
7. Sam Obisanya is a right back defender out of the Nigerian league.
8. Ted and Coach Beard enter the locker room for the first time.
9. Ted introduces himself to the team.
10. Keeley walks into the locker room while Ted is talking to the players.
11. Jamie leaves so that he can get (* have) his chest waxed.