Football is more popular than ever among British girls and women. Meet Kitty and her team as they prepare for a big match.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises to check your understanding. Remember you can read the transcript at any time.

Preparation: matching
Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

1. ...... to be discriminated against
2. ...... to set up
3. ...... competitive (adjective)
4. ...... a league
5. ...... coaching
6. ...... to cater for
7. ...... rising stars
8. ...... to have goosebumps

a. teaching and training of a sports team
b. to be treated unfairly or differently
c. people who are quickly becoming successful or well known
d. to provide people with something they want or need
e. a group of teams who play against each other regularly, put in order according to how many points they have
f. to temporarily have small bumps on the skin caused by cold, fear or excitement
g. to start or establish (something such as a club, company or organisation)
h. characterised by a feeling of wanting to win

1. Check your understanding: true or false
Circle True or False for these sentences.

1. Football is the most popular game in the world. True False
2. There are approximately 500 youth girls’ teams in Britain. True False
3. Spurs Football Club is over 130 years old. True False
4. The young footballers think it’s hard to be a girl and play football. True False
5. Kitty started playing football when she was nine years old. True False
6. The coach thinks that there are more opportunities for girls to play football in Britain these days. True False
7. Kitty feels nervous about the game. True False

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8. Kitty’s team scores the first goal. True False
9. Kitty’s team lose the match in the end. True False
10. Kitty is happy about the way she and her team played in the match. True False

2. Check your vocabulary: gap fill
Complete the gaps with a word from the box.

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1. From kids playing in the street to professional players in huge ______________, more people play and watch this game than any other.
2. I’m here to meet some of the rising ______________ of Tottenham Hotspur.
3. Today we’re following Kitty as she trains for a big ______________.
4. Kitty says the girls get a lot of support and the same standard of ______________ as the boys’ teams.
5. Five minutes into the game, Kitty scores the first ______________.
6. The final ______________ is 3-2 and Kitty’s team have won.
7. It’s only early, but judging by the first match, Kitty thinks it’s going to be a good ______________.
8. The second goal felt so good, Kitty says, that she had ______________

Discussion
Do girls have many opportunities to play football where you live?

Vocabulary Box
Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.