

Text :

Football is a very popular game. It started a long time ago, in 1848, a group of students in Cambridge thought over this game. They gathered in Trinity college, in Cambridge University and they wrote the rules of their favourite sport. They set up the "Cambridge rules".

Fifteen years later, on October 26th, 1863 at the Freemasons Tavern in London, some gentlemen founded the Football Association and modified the Cambridge rules.

In 1871, the first championship took place in England. On the 30th of November 1872, they played the first international match in Glasgow.

Then, football became a profession in 1885 and the first world cup took place in 1930 in Montevideo, Uruguay.

Section 01: Reading comprehension:

A. Read the text carefully and complete this chart

Dates	Events
1848	Cambridge rules
1863	Foundation of the football association
1871	The first championship
1872	The first international match
1885	Football became a profession
1930	The first world cup

B. Write true, false or not mentioned:

- Football started in England. **True**
- It had no rules in 1862. **False**
- All the football players were amateurs in 1884. **False**
- Uruguay won the first world cup. **Not**

C. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following

Met= **gathered** Established= **set up**

Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following

Earlier ≠ **later** Finished ≠ **started**

Section two: Mastery of language

A. Complete this table

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Popular	More popular than	The most popular
Bad	Better than	The best
Hot	Hotter than	The hottest
Happy	Happier than	The happiest
Many	More than	The most

B. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets:

- Our football team **will** play next June.
- If I **were** a football player, I would win all the matches.
- Last week-end the players **were** training to win the match while I was working hard to pass my exam.
- If I succeed, father **will** pay me a plane ticket for South Africa.

C. Make verbs from the following nouns

Association → **Associate**

Foundation → **found**

D. 1. Find in the text words that have the following diphthongs

/eI/	/aI/
Game	Time
Favorite	Modified
Later	
Played	
Became	
Place	

Classify these words according to the pronunciation of their final "ed"

Started- gathered- practised- founded

/t/	/d/	/Id/
Practiced	Gathered	Started
		Founded

Part II

Situation of integration:

That was on February 18th 2010. Algeria played Egypt in Sudan. The score was 1-0. Algeria won the match! That was a memorable day!

In the streets young people, boys and girls were wearing the Algeria flag, dancing, singing and running while their elders were commenting the match and having drinks.

The drivers were sounding their horns while the children wearing T-shirts of the Algerian team were running holding the Algeria flag in the air.

I felt very happy. I shouted, sang and cried 'It's like the independence' father said.