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Homeless World Cup comes to an end

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

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The eighth Homeless World Cup competition is coming to an end in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The winner will be decided on September 26th. The annual event is a way to highlight the problem of homelessness in the world. Its slogan is, "Beating homelessness through football". The official website says: "There are one billion homeless people in our world today. This is a global issue that affects every nation. The Homeless World Cup has a vision for a healthy, [generous], confident world where everyone has a home - a basic human need."

The first competition took place in 2003 in Austria. In 2008, Afghanistan were World Champions and this year, Palestine and Haiti are making their debuts. More than 30,000 homeless men and women around the world have been in training and 64 national teams are competing in Rio. Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson said: "The Homeless World Cup has shown that football is a powerful tool in changing people's lives." The organizers hope to raise \$9,500 through donations.

PHRASE MATCH

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Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. is coming to | a. event |
| 2. The annual | b. human need |
| 3. a way to highlight | c. an end |
| 4. Beating homelessness | d. affects every nation |
| 5. a global issue that | e. the problem of homelessness |
| 6. a basic | f. through football |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The first competition took | a. their debuts |
| 2. Palestine and Haiti are making | b. Sir Alex Ferguson |
| 3. 64 national teams | c. through donations |
| 4. Manchester United manager | d. tool |
| 5. football is a powerful | e. place in 2003 |
| 6. raise \$9,500 | f. are competing |

LISTENING GAP FILL

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The eighth Homeless World Cup competition _____
in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The winner _____
September 26th. The annual _____ highlight the
problem of homelessness in the world. Its slogan is, "Beating
homelessness through football". The official website says: "There
are one billion homeless people _____. This is a
global _____ every nation. The Homeless World
Cup has a vision for a healthy, [generous], confident world where
everyone has a home - _____."

The first competition _____ 2003 in Austria. In
2008, Afghanistan were World Champions and this year, Palestine
and Haiti are _____. More than 30,000 homeless
men and women around the world have _____ and
64 national teams _____ Rio. Manchester United
manager Sir Alex Ferguson said: "The Homeless World Cup has
shown that football is _____ in changing people's
lives." The organizers hope to raise \$9,500 _____.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

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The eighth Homeless World Cup competition is (1) _____ to an end in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The winner will be decided on September 26th. The (2) _____ event is a way to highlight the problem of homelessness in the world. Its slogan is, "Beating homelessness (3) _____ football". The official website says: "There are one billion homeless people in our world today. This is a global issue that (4) _____ every nation. The Homeless World Cup has a vision for a (5) _____, [generous], confident world where everyone has a home - a basic human (6) _____."

The first competition took (7) _____ in 2003 in Austria. In 2008, Afghanistan were World Champions and this year, Palestine and Haiti are (8) _____ their debuts. More than 30,000 homeless men and women around the world have been (9) _____ training and 64 national teams are competing in Rio. Manchester United (10) _____ Sir Alex Ferguson said: "The Homeless World Cup has (11) _____ that football is a powerful tool in changing people's lives." The organizers hope to raise \$9,500 (12) _____ donations.

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | |
|-----|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) coming | (b) comes | (c) come |
| 2. | (a) year | (b) annum | (c) annual |
| 3. | (a) between | (b) from | (c) through |
| 4. | (a) effects | (b) affects | (c) affect |
| 5. | (a) healthy | (b) fitness | (c) nutrition |
| 6. | (a) needy | (b) needing | (c) need |
| 7. | (a) there | (b) place | (c) location |
| 8. | (a) making | (b) playing | (c) being |
| 9. | (a) in | (b) up | (c) on |
| 10. | (a) management | (b) manager | (c) manage |
| 11. | (a) showing | (b) showed | (c) shown |
| 12. | (a) threw | (b) through | (c) though |

SPELLING

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Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. The hihteg Homeless World Cup
2. The alunan event
3. eanight homelessness
4. The flaifoci website
5. a gllboa issue
6. a bisac human need

Paragraph 2

7. took epacl in 2003
8. making their tedbsu
9. teams are ncieopmtg
10. football is a urpfwole tool
11. changing people's svile
12. raise \$9,500 ugtohrh donations

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () has a vision for a healthy, [generous], confident world where everyone has a home - a basic human need."
- () world. Its slogan is, "Beating homelessness through football". The official website says: "There are one billion
- () tool in changing people's lives." The organizers hope to raise \$9,500 through donations.
- () The first competition took place in 2003 in Austria. In 2008, Afghanistan were World Champions and this
- () year, Palestine and Haiti are making their debuts. More than 30,000 homeless men and women around the
- () manager Sir Alex Ferguson said: "The Homeless World Cup has shown that football is a powerful
- () decided on September 26th. The annual event is a way to highlight the problem of homelessness in the
- () homeless people in our world today. This is a global issue that affects every nation. The Homeless World Cup
- () world have been in training and 64 national teams are competing in Rio. Manchester United
- (**1**) The eighth Homeless World Cup competition is coming to an end in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The winner will be

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With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. be decided The on winner September will 26th.

2. highlight the A problem way of to homelessness.

3. billion world homeless today people in One our.

4. A nation every affects that issue global.

5. world A vision for a healthy , generous , confident.

6. first The 2003 in place took competition.

7. are Haiti and Palestine debuts their making.

8. are teams national 64 Rio in competing.

9. A lives people's changing in tool powerful.

10. through to hope Organizers . donations raise \$9,500

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. HOMELESSNESS: Search the Internet and find more information about the Homeless World Cup. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about the Homeless World Cup. Include imaginary interviews with the players. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to the organizer of the Homeless World Cup. Ask him three questions about homelessness. Give him three of your opinions on homelessness. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Your partner will answer the questions you asked.