Football UNIT 2

Why is it important to learn English?

Think about the following questions:

• How important is English to you?

• How do you think soccer players use English?

• How important do you think it is for them?

Watch the interviews with four Premier League players and find out!

<http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/premier-skills/english>

**Task 1** – Collocations

Choose the correct word to complete each phrase. One phrase has no missing word. For this phrase, choose '–'.

**a – in in of to up with**

1. communicate \_\_ \_\_\_ people

2. learn \_\_\_\_\_ English

3. everywhere \_\_\_ \_\_ the world

4. first \_\_\_\_\_ all

5. give you \_\_\_\_\_ chance

6. my advice \_\_\_\_\_ the English kids

7. communicate \_\_\_\_\_ English

8. never give \_\_\_\_\_

9. be aware \_\_\_\_\_ where you are

**Task 2** – Who said ...? Match the players with what they said. Write the letter next to the player's name (a, b, c or d) in the gaps. Use the same letters for all eight questions:

a. Vincent Kompany

b. Serge Gnabry

c. Alex Kacaniklic

d. José Fonte

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 'English is the first language of the world so I think it's very important.' 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 'You need to know a little bit of English so you can communicate with everyone.'

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 'For me it's important to know it.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ 'My advice to the English kids would be to learn other languages, too.' 5. \_\_\_\_\_ Who said he learnt English as a child?

6. \_\_\_\_\_ Who said he likes the English phrase 'we're off'?

7. \_\_\_\_\_ Who said he likes the phrase 'never give up'?

8. \_\_\_\_\_ Who doesn't have a favourite phrase in English?

**Task 3** – Order the sentences Put the words in the correct order to make sentences from the interviews.

1. spoken there It's language the is. most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. communicate You other people can with from cultures. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. important know It's to it. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. speak I any literally language. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. like give I 'never up'. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. where you Look... be Always of are. around aware \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_