

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
