

From a very young age I wanted to be a football **(1)** _____ .
 So, last year I started training every night after school and I tried
 to **(2)** _____ in the park with my friends at weekends too.
 Imagine my **(3)** _____ when a coach from the local youth
 team came to watch me play in a school match. I soon started
 to dream about becoming as **(4)** _____ as all my favourite
 stars. But I know it's **(5)** _____ to think you can succeed
 before you are really ready. You need to work hard to be
 a **(6)** _____ and that means trying to play as well as you can.
 One day I hope I'll make it to the top.

PLAY

PRACTICE

EXCITE

FAME

DANGER

WIN

The _____ looked very angry when they left the field.

LOSE

I was bored because the game wasn't very _____ .

EXCITE

_____ on winning the school sports cup!

CONGRATULATE

The fans cheered when the players _____ the stadium.

ENTER

He is the _____ of the youth team at the local sports centre.

TRAIN

I really want to go _____ next winter.

SKI

He injured his knee badly in _____ .

TRAIN

I was so _____ I couldn't sleep.

EXCITE