CULTURE: THE BEAUTIFUL GAME

Match the words to the definitions. Then watch the video and tick [✓] the words you hear.

1. team	**a** the place where people play football
2. net	**b** the action of a player's foot hitting a ball
3. goal	**c** to get a point in a game
4. pitch	**d** material made of string
5. kick	**e** the structure you try to get the ball into in football
6. score	**f** a group of people working or playing together

Watch the video. Read the statements and decide if they are T (True) or F (False).

1 Historians believe the Greeks didn't play football, they preferred horse riding. T / F

2 Football became popular in England in the 1700s. T / F

3 Today over 250 million people play football. T / F

Read the sentences and choose the correct option.

1 It is believed that the Chinese kicked balls made of _____ into a small net.

a paper **b** leather **c** wool

2 It is also thought that the ancient _____ and Greeks played football.

a Egyptians **b** Turks **c** Romans

3 The game became popular in England as _____ played it.

a university students **b** farmers **c** factory workers

4 In _____ the game of football accepted a new rule.

a 1863 **b** 1883 **c** 1963

5 FIFA, the famous football association, was created in _____.

a 1904 **b** 1914 **c** 1924

6 The first world cup took place in _____ in 1930.

a Italy **b** Argentina **c** Uruguay

7 Today people in over _____ countries around the world play football.

a 100 **b** 200 **c** 250

8 Football is _____ sport on TV.

a the most watched **b** the second most watched **c** the third most watched

Answer the questions.

1 Why do you think playing football has become so popular worldwide?

2 Why do so many people enjoy watching football?

3 Do you support one particular football team? Why? / Why not?

4 Which team do you support? Why?



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