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THE ARTICLE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

A German policewoman, Bibiana Steinhaus, will become the first female to referee in Europe's top leagues. Germany's Bundesliga promoted Ms Steinhaus on Friday. She was a referee in the lower divisions of German football. She is very happy to be Germany's first top-flight female referee. She said: "For us all, it's a dream come true. I'm very much looking forward to the task that awaits me." She also knew that people would be watching her to see how she manages in top-level men's matches. She said: "I am aware that I will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be closely watched by the media". She added: "I'm used to pressure and am convinced I will find my feet quickly in the Bundesliga."

Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of experience as a referee, both in Germany and at international level. She has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches since 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup final and the women's gold medal match between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic games in 2012. After she was told about her promotion, she said: "I was quite speechless. I feel disbelief, joy, happiness, relief and curiosity. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions." She added: "It has always been my dream to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream will come true naturally fills me with joy." Steinhaus will next referee the Women's Champions League final on June 1st.

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WARM-UPS

1. FOOTBALL: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about football. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

policewoman / referee / football / happy / dream come true / media / pressure / feet / experience / international / final / gold medal / Olympics / roller coaster / emotions

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. REFEREES: Students A **strongly** believe men should referee men and women should referee women; Students B **strongly** believe anyone can referee anyone. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. EMOTIONS: When have you had these emotions or situations? Complete this table and share what you wrote with your partner(s). Change partners often.

Emotion	When?	Why?
Joy		
Happiness		
Relief		
Speechlessness		
Curiosity		
Disbelief		

5. DREAM: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "dream". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. FOOTBALL JOBS: Rank these with your partner. Put the most important jobs in football at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- FIFA boss
- referee
- manager / coach
- scout
- striker
- goalkeeper
- club owner
- captain

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Germany's first female Bundesliga referee is also a policewoman. **T / F**
- b. Bibiana was promoted from the lower divisions in Poland. **T / F**
- c. Bibiana said becoming a Bundesliga referee was a dream come true. **T / F**
- d. Bibiana said she would find her feet quickly in the Bundesliga. **T / F**
- e. Bibiana has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches since 2001. **T / F**
- f. Bibiana refereed women's gold medal game at the London Olympics. **T / F**
- g. Bibiana spoke a lot after she was told about her promotion. **T / F**
- h. Bibiana first wanted to become a Bundesliga 5 years ago. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. female | a. skill |
| 2. divisions | b. job |
| 3. dream | c. certain |
| 4. task | d. lost for words |
| 5. convinced | e. leagues |
| 6. experience | f. feelings |
| 7. matches | g. woman |
| 8. speechless | h. of course |
| 9. emotions | i. ambition |
| 10. naturally | j. games |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. She was a referee in the lower | a. speechless |
| 2. I'm very much looking forward to the | b. feet quickly |
| 3. closely watched | c. as a referee |
| 4. I'm used to | d. task that awaits me |
| 5. convinced I will find my | e. medal match |
| 6. Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of experience | f. by the media |
| 7. at international | g. divisions |
| 8. the women's gold | h. true |
| 9. I was quite | i. pressure |
| 10. this dream will come | j. level |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

A German (1) _____, Bibiana Steinhaus, will become the first female to referee in Europe's top leagues. Germany's Bundesliga promoted Ms Steinhaus on Friday. She was a referee in the (2) _____ divisions of German football. She is very happy to be Germany's first top-(3) _____ female referee. She said: "For us all, it's a dream come true. I'm very much looking (4) _____ to the task that awaits me." She also knew that people would be watching her to see how she (5) _____ in top-level men's matches. She said: "I am aware that I will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be (6) _____ watched by the (7) _____ ". She added: "I'm used to pressure and am convinced I will find my feet (8) _____ in the Bundesliga."

lower
manages
media
flight
quickly
policewoman
forward
closely

Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of (9) _____ as a referee, both in Germany and at international level. She has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches (10) _____ 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup final and the women's gold (11) _____ match between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic games in 2012. After she was told about her (12) _____, she said: "I was quite speechless. I feel (13) _____, joy, happiness, relief and curiosity. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions." She added: "It has always been my (14) _____ to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream will come true (15) _____ fills me with joy." Steinhaus will next referee the Women's Champions League (16) _____ on June 1st.

promotion
since
naturally
medal
final
disbelief
experience
dream

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

- 1) Bibiana Steinhaus will become the first female to referee in _____
 - a. Europe's top leagues
 - b. Europe's stop leagues
 - c. Europe's atop leagues
 - d. Europe's topped leagues
- 2) I'm very much looking forward to the task _____
 - a. that's await me
 - b. that awaits me
 - c. that's awaits me
 - d. that await me
- 3) people would be watching her to see how she manages in top-_____
 - a. leveled men's matches
 - b. level's men's matches
 - c. levels men's matches
 - d. level men's matches
- 4) I will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be closely _____
 - a. watched by a media
 - b. watched by this media
 - c. watched by the media
 - d. watched by them media
- 5) I'm used to pressure and am convinced I will find _____
 - a. my foot quickly
 - b. my feet quickly
 - c. my fleet quickly
 - d. my fate quickly
- 6) a lot of experience as a referee, both in Germany and _____
 - a. at internationals level
 - b. at internationalize level
 - c. at internationally level
 - d. at international level
- 7) She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup final and the women's _____
 - a. gold medal match
 - b. gold metal match
 - c. gold medallion match
 - d. gold medals match
- 8) I was quite speechless. I feel disbelief, joy, happiness, relief _____
 - a. and curiously
 - b. and curious city
 - c. and curio city
 - d. and curiosity
- 9) It was simply a roller-coaster ride _____."
 - a. of emotions
 - b. off emotions
 - c. of emotion
 - d. off emotion
- 10) That this dream will come true naturally _____.
 - a. fills my with joy
 - b. pills me with joys
 - c. fills me with joy
 - d. pills me with joy

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

A German policewoman, Bibiana Steinhaus, will become the first female (1) _____ Europe's top leagues. Germany's Bundesliga promoted Ms Steinhaus on Friday. She was a referee (2) _____ of German football. She is very happy to be Germany's first top-flight female referee. She said: "(3) _____ dream come true. I'm very much looking forward to the task that awaits me." (4) _____ that people would be watching her to see how she manages in top-level men's matches. She said: "I (5) _____ will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be closely watched by the media". She added: "I'm used to pressure and am (6) _____ find my feet quickly in the Bundesliga."

Steinhaus, 38, (7) _____ experience as a referee, both in Germany (8) _____ level. She has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches since 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup final and the women's (9) _____ between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic games in 2012. After she was told about her promotion, she said: "(10) _____. I feel disbelief, joy, happiness, relief and curiosity. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions." She added: "It (11) _____ my dream to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream (12) _____ naturally fills me with joy." Steinhaus will next referee the Women's Champions League final on June 1st.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

1. What job does Bibiana have besides being a referee?
2. Where did Bibiana referee up until now?
3. Who will be closely watching Bibiana's refereeing?
4. What did Bibiana say she is used to?
5. What did Bibiana say she would find quickly?
6. Since when has Bibiana been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches?
7. When did Bibiana referee the women's World Cup final?
8. Where did Bibiana referee the final at the Olympics?
9. What did Bibiana say after being told about her promotion?
10. When will Bibiana referee a big match in Europe?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

- 1) What job does Bibiana have besides being a referee?
 - a) teacher
 - b) lawyer
 - c) policewoman
 - d) sports journalist
- 2) Where did Bibiana referee up until now?
 - a) in the lower divisions
 - b) Serie A
 - c) England
 - d) Brazil's women's leagues
- 3) Who will be closely watching Bibiana's refereeing?
 - a) German's national coach
 - b) the media
 - c) the World Referee Group
 - d) FIFA's boss
- 4) What did Bibiana say she is used to?
 - a) giving red cards
 - b) bad language
 - c) rain and snow
 - d) pressure
- 5) What did Bibiana say she would find quickly?
 - a) the penalty spot
 - b) the whistle
 - c) her feet
 - d) the ball
- 6) Since when has Bibiana been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches?
 - a) 2012
 - b) 2011
 - c) 2010
 - d) 2014
- 7) When did Bibiana referee the women's World Cup final?
 - a) 2014
 - b) 2013
 - c) 2012
 - d) 2011
- 8) Where did Bibiana referee the final at the Olympics?
 - a) Rio
 - b) London
 - c) Beijing
 - d) Sydney
- 9) What did Bibiana say after being told about her promotion?
 - a) OMG
 - b) nothing – she was speechless
 - c) yippee
 - d) wow, wow, wow
- 10) When will Bibiana referee a big match in Europe?
 - a) June 1st
 - b) May 31st
 - c) June 14th
 - d) July 1st

ROLE PLAY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

Role A – Referee

You think a referee has the most important job in football. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): coach, striker or goalkeeper.

Role B – Coach

You think a coach has the most important job in football. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): referee, striker or goalkeeper.

Role C – Striker

You think a striker has the most important job in football. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): coach, referee or goalkeeper.

Role D – Goalkeeper

You think a goalkeeper has the most important job in football. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): coach, striker or referee.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'female' and 'referee'.

female	referee
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• top• lower• us• task• aware• feet	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• both• since• gold• simply• naturally• next
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FOOTBALL SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about football in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

FOOTBALL DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'football'?
3. Is football the world's best sport?
4. How do you think Ms Steinhaus will do?
5. What will be the most difficult thing for Ms Steinhaus?
6. What would be a dream come true for you?
7. What are you very much looking forward to?
8. What responsibility does Bibiana have as the first female referee?
9. Why will the media be watching Bibiana closely?
10. What kind of pressure will Bibiana have?

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FOOTBALL DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'pressure'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you have a lot of experience doing?
15. What are the differences between men's and women's football?
16. When was the last time you were speechless?
17. How might men and women referee differently?
18. How might players act differently with a female referee?
19. What advice do you have for Bibiana Steinhaus?
20. What questions would you like to ask Bibiana Steinhaus?

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. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of experience (7) _____ a referee, both in Germany and at international level. She has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches since 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup final and the women's (8) _____ medal match between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic games in 2012. After she was told about her promotion, she said: "I was (9) _____ speechless. I feel disbelief, joy, happiness, relief and (10) _____. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions." She added: "It has always been my dream to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream will come true (11) _____ fills me with joy." Steinhaus will (12) _____ referee the Women's Champions League final on June 1st.

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) becoming | (b) became | (c) becomes | (d) become |
| 2. | (a) low blow | (b) lone | (c) lowly | (d) lower |
| 3. | (a) flies | (b) flight | (c) flying | (d) fly |
| 4. | (a) tsk | (b) tusk | (c) task | (d) tacks |
| 5. | (a) closed | (b) close | (c) closely | (d) closing |
| 6. | (a) quickly | (b) quick | (c) quicken | (d) quickish |
| 7. | (a) has | (b) as | (c) is | (d) was |
| 8. | (a) gold | (b) golden | (c) golds | (d) golder |
| 9. | (a) quieten | (b) quite | (c) quit | (d) quiet |
| 10. | (a) curious | (b) curiously | (c) curiosity | (d) curries |
| 11. | (a) natural | (b) naturals | (c) naturally | (d) naturalize |
| 12. | (a) post | (b) then | (c) after | (d) next |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. Germany's Bundesliga oeotpdmr Ms Steinhaus
2. a referee in the lower iidiosnvs
3. Germany's first top-ifglht female referee
4. I am eraaw that I will be the first
5. I'm used to esrsrepu
6. cecivdnon I will find my feet quickly

Paragraph 2

7. Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of xrneeceip
8. the women's gold demal match
9. I was quite eespecslsh
10. joy, happiness, relief and oircyutis
11. a roller-coaster ride of stenimoo
12. lyruatnla fills me with joy

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () aware that I will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be closely watched by the media". She added: "I'm used
- () level. She has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches since 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup
- () happiness, relief and curiosity. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions." She added: "It has always been
- () with joy." Steinhaus will next referee the Women's Champions League final on June 1st.
- () Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of experience as a referee, both in Germany and at international
- (**1**) A German policewoman, Bibiana Steinhaus, will become the first female to referee in Europe's top
- () games in 2012. After she was told about her promotion, she said: "I was quite speechless. I feel disbelief, joy,
- () my dream to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream will come true naturally fills me
- () divisions of German football. She is very happy to be Germany's first top-flight female referee. She said: "For us
- () leagues. Germany's Bundesliga promoted Ms Steinhaus on Friday. She was a referee in the lower
- () to pressure and am convinced I will find my feet quickly in the Bundesliga."
- () all, it's a dream come true. I'm very much looking forward to the task that awaits me." She also knew that
- () final and the women's gold medal match between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic
- () people would be watching her to see how she manages in top-level men's matches. She said: "I am

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. referee The in first Europe's female top to leagues .
2. lower divisions of German football She was a referee in the .
3. first flight Happy Germany's - referee be top female to .
4. that awaits very forward task I'm looking the me much to .
5. will feet the I my in Convinced find quickly Bundesliga .
6. Cup the final 2011 She women's also World refereed .
7. match and The medal Japan US gold between the women's .
8. emotions simply - of was roller ride It a coaster .
9. Bundesliga dream a has my be It been to referee always .
10. joy That this dream will come true naturally fills me with .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1705/170522-bundesliga.html>

A German policewoman, Bibiana Steinhaus, will become the first female to referee in Europe's *atop / top* leagues. Germany's Bundesliga promoted Ms Steinhaus on Friday. She was a referee in the *lowered / lower* divisions of German football. She is very happy to *be / been* Germany's first top-flight female referee. She said: "For *we / us* all, it's a dream come true. I'm very much looking forward to the task that *waits / awaits* me." She also knew that people would be watching *she / her* to see how she manages in top-level men's matches. She said: "I am *aware / awareness* that I will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be *close / closely* watched by the media". She added: "I'm *used / use* to pressure and am convinced I will find my feet *quick / quickly* in the Bundesliga."

Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of / for experience as a referee, both in Germany and at / that international level. She has been *refereed / refereeing* Bundesliga 2 matches since 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup *final / finally* and the women's gold medal match between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic games in 2012. After she was *told / telling* about her promotion, she said: "I was quite speechless. I feel disbelief, joy, happiness, relief and *curious / curiosity*. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of *emotions / emotionally*." She added: "It has always been my *dream / dreamy* to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream will come *true / truth* naturally fills me with joy." Steinhaus will next referee the Women's Champions League final *on / in* June 1st.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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G_r_m_n p_l_c_w_m_n, B_b__n St__nh__s, w_ll b_c_m th_f_rst f_m_l t_r_f_r__ n__r_p_'s t_p l__g__s. G_r_m_ny's B_nd_sl_g__ pr_m_t_d Ms St__nh__s n Fr_d_y. Sh_w_s__r_f_r__ n th_l_w_r d_v_s__ns f G_r_m_n f__tb_ll. Sh__s v_ry h_ppy t_b_ G_r_m_ny's f_rst t_p-fl_gh_t f_m_l_r_f_r__. Sh_s__d: "F_r__s__ll, _t's__dr__m c_m_tr__._'m v_ry m_ch l__k_ng f_rw_rd t th_t_sk th_t_w__ts m_." Sh__ls__kn_w th_t p__pl_w__ld b_w_tch_ng h_r_t_s__h_w sh_m_n_g_s__n t_p-l_v_l m_n's m_tch_s. Sh_s__d: "_m_w_r th_t_w_ll b th_f_rst f_m_l_r_f_r__ n th_B_nd_sl_g__nd w_ll b cl_s_ly w_tch_d by th_m_d__". Sh__dd_d: "'m_s_d t pr_ss_r__nd m c_nv_nc_d__w_ll f_nd my f__t q__ckly__n th_B_nd_sl_g__."

St__nh__s, 38, h_s__l_t_f_xp_r__nc__s__r_f_r__, b_th__n G_r_m_ny__nd t__nt_rn_t__n l_l_v_l. Sh_h_s b__n r_f_r__ng B_nd_sl_g__2 m_tch_s s_nc_2011. Sh__ls__r_f_r__d th_2011 w_m_n's W_rld C_p_f_n_l__nd th_w_m_n's g_ld m_d_l m_tch b_tw__n J_p_n__nd th__n_t_d St_t_s__t th_L_nd_n__lymp_c_g_m_s__n 2012. _ft_r sh_w_s t_ld__b__t h_r pr_m_t__n, sh_s__d: "w_s q__t sp__chl_ss._f__l d_sb_l__f, j_y, h_pp_n_ss, r_l__f__nd c_r__s_ty._t_w_s s_mply__r_ll_r-c__st_r_r_d__f_m_t__ns." Sh__dd_d: "t_h_s__lw_ys b__n my dr__m t_b__B_nd_sl_g__r_f_r__. Th_t th_s dr__m w_ll c_m_tr__n_t_r_lly f_lls m_w_th j_y." St__nh__s w_ll n_xt r_f_r__ th_W_m_n's Ch_m_p__ns L__g__f_n_l__n J_n_1st.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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a german policewoman bibiana steinhaus will become the first female to referee in europe's top leagues germany's bundesliga promoted ms steinhaus on friday she was a referee in the lower divisions of german football she is very happy to be germany's first top-flight female referee she said "for us all it's a dream come true i'm very much looking forward to the task that awaits me" she also knew that people would be watching her to see how she manages in top-level men's matches she said "i am aware that i will be the first female referee in the bundesliga and will be closely watched by the media" she added "i'm used to pressure and am convinced i will find my feet quickly in the bundesliga"

steinhaus 38 has a lot of experience as a referee both in germany and at international level she has been refereeing bundesliga 2 matches since 2011 she also refereed the 2011 women's world cup final and the women's gold medal match between japan and the united states at the london olympic games in 2012 after she was told about her promotion she said "i was quite speechless i feel disbelief joy happiness relief and curiosity it was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions" she added "it has always been my dream to be a bundesliga referee that this dream will come true naturally fills me with joy" steinhaus will next referee the women's champions league final on june 1st

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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A German policewoman, Bibiana Steinhaus, will become the first female referee in Europe's top leagues. Germany's Bundesliga promoted Ms Steinhaus on Friday. She was a referee in the lower divisions of German football. She is very happy to be Germany's first top-flight female referee. She said: "For us all, it's a dream come true. I'm very much looking forward to the task that awaits me." She also knew that people would be watching her to see how she manages in top-level men's matches. She said: "I am aware that I will be the first female referee in the Bundesliga and will be closely watched by the media". She added: "I'm used to pressure and am convinced I will find my feet quickly in the Bundesliga." Steinhaus, 38, has a lot of experience as a referee, both in Germany and at international level. She has been refereeing Bundesliga 2 matches since 2011. She also refereed the 2011 women's World Cup final and the women's gold medal match between Japan and the United States at the London Olympic games in 2012. After she was told about her promotion, she said: "I was quite speechless. I feel disbelief, joy, happiness, relief and curiosity. It was simply a roller-coaster ride of emotions." She added: "It has always been my dream to be a Bundesliga referee. That this dream will come true naturally fills me with joy." Steinhaus will next referee the Women's Champions League final on June 1st.

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. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about football. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. WOMEN'S FOOTBALL: Make a poster about women's football. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. REFEREEING: Write a magazine article about women refereeing men's games in football. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. 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.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on football. Ask him/her three questions about women refereeing men's matches. Give him/her three of your opinions on this. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a T b F c T d T e F f T g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

- | | |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 1. female | a. woman |
| 2. divisions | b. leagues |
| 3. dream | c. ambition |
| 4. task | d. job |
| 5. convinced | e. certain |
| 6. experience | f. skill |
| 7. matches | g. games |
| 8. speechless | h. lost for words |
| 9. emotions | i. feelings |
| 10. naturally | j. of course |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. A policewoman
2. The lower divisions
3. The media
4. Pressure
5. Her feet
6. 2011
7. 2011
8. London
9. Nothing - she was speechless
10. June 1st

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)