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Level 1 – 1st August, 2019

South Korea football fans' anger at Ronaldo no-show

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1908/190801-football-fans-1.html>

Football fans in Korea plan to sue Italian soccer club Juventus. The club signed a contract to play Cristiano Ronaldo for 45 minutes in a friendly game against an all-star K League team, but he stayed on the bench. Fans now want compensation. They sang the name of Ronaldo's rival Lionel Messi at the game. They also booed. One fan on social media wrote: "Ronaldo betrayed the 60,000 audience. I'm no longer a Ronaldo fan."

The angry fans went to see lawyers in South Korea's capital city. They want their \$60 ticket price back, and \$850 each for the "mental anguish" Ronaldo's no-show caused. A lawyer said this was "a special case" because Juventus used "false advertising" to take advantage of Ronaldo's fans. He added: "As for the mental anguish...some of the fans are very passionate. They are real fans, so for them it is very painful because they love Ronaldo."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Football fans in Korea | a. a contract |
| 2. The club signed | b. great rival |
| 3. play in a | c. a Ronaldo fan |
| 4. Juventus signed | d. on the bench |
| 5. he stayed | e. friendly |
| 6. lace | f. plan to sue |
| 7. chanted the name of Ronaldo's | g. up his boots |
| 8. I'm no longer | h. a contract |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The angry fans went | a. price back |
| 2. South Korea's | b. very passionate |
| 3. They want their \$60 ticket | c. anguish |
| 4. \$850 each for the mental | d. advertising |
| 5. A lawyer said this was a | e. to see lawyers |
| 6. Juventus used false | f. of Ronaldo's fans |
| 7. take advantage | g. capital city |
| 8. some of the fans are | h. special case |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1908/190801-football-fans-1.html>

Football fans in Korea (1) _____ Italian soccer club Juventus. The club (2) _____ to play Cristiano Ronaldo for 45 minutes (3) _____ game against an all-star K League team, but he stayed on the bench. Fans now want compensation. They (4) _____ of Ronaldo's rival Lionel Messi at the game. (5) _____. One fan on social media wrote: "Ronaldo betrayed the 60,000 audience. I'm (6) _____ Ronaldo fan."

The angry fans (7) _____ lawyers in South Korea's capital city. They want their \$60 (8) _____, and \$850 each for the "mental anguish" Ronaldo's no-show caused. A lawyer said this was "(9) _____" because Juventus used "false advertising" to (10) _____ Ronaldo's fans. He added: "As for the mental anguish... (11) _____ fans are very passionate. They are real fans, so for them it is (12) _____ they love Ronaldo."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FOOTBALL FANS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1908/190801-football-fans-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about football fans 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.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

