

# Bend it like Beckham

## KEY

### Characterisation

1. looking without being seen
2. in love with him
3. extremely small
4. totally against it (OK for children)
5. she thought he was displaying a strength
6. resentful/nostalgic
7. embarrassed for her father
8. go to Germany without her parents knowing
9. deception
10. in complicity
11. to smile at the camera
12. acting, as if in a film
13. didn't feel the presence of her parents

### Context

#### Women's football

Pictures:



Kelly Smith



Angellica Bell

#### TV stars back Women's Cup

**CBBC stars Jake Humphrey and Angellica Bell, hosts of the new Saturday Show, are lending their support to The FA Women's Cup Final, which sees Arsenal take on Charlton Athletic on Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May.**

Jake and Angellica, who are keen football fans, are calling on the nation's kids to get behind the ever increasingly popular sport of women's football.

Jake who will be attending the match said: "It seems to me that more and more girls are kicking a football about and the talent that will be on show at the final is testament to the fact that women's football is moving in the right direction. I am really looking forward to watching the match and soaking up the atmosphere."

Angellica, who took part in the Fourth Round Draw of The FA Women's Cup last season, added: "Women's football is strongly underrated, yet the skills and expertise needed to play are the same as in the men's game. I hope as many families as possible will get along to the match and cheer both teams on. I wish both teams the best of luck."

2

**Words of praise**> genius best overall player huge fan excited electric clever

**Humility**> takes in her stride (no) extra pressure good level quality opposition

**Ability**> extra fitness strong quick

- 3 spearheaded-led; finishing line-the end; bagged-obtained; hat trick-three in a row; tally-total; clocking up-achieving; Addicks-Charlton Athletic; Gunners-Arsenal; arch rival-biggest opponents; take the title-become winners; draw-equal score

### Sikhism

1. a 2. b 3. c 4. a 5. d

## Fact File – David Beckham

1 G 2 N 3 E 4 B 5 H 6 O 7 A 8 L 9 I 10 C 11 J 12 M 13 N 14 D 15 K

## Scott Minto

Question	Scott Minto	You
How much did he know about Portuguese football before joining Benfica?	Not much	How much do you know about English football?
How much experience of Portugal did he have before joining Benfica?	A game in Faro as a youth player	How much experience have you had of England?
What did the Club <b>not</b> help him with?	Integrating into Portugal e.g. learning the language	What question should we ask about you here?!
What was his attitude towards learning Portuguese, and how successful was he?	Enthusiastic, but not very good. Gave up	What is your attitude to learning English, and how successful are you?
What effect did Benfica's financial problems have on him?	Very little	What do you know of Benfica's current financial situation?
What were his best moments?	Against Sporting Lisbon	What has been your best moment in any sport?
Who did he think was the best player at Benfica?	Colado	Who do you think is the best player at Benfica?

## Word Search

BULGARIA  
CROATIA  
CZECH REPUBLIC  
DENMARK  
ENGLAND  
FRANCE  
GERMANY  
GREECE

ITALY  
LATVIA  
NETHERLANDS  
PORTUGAL  
RUSSIA  
SPAIN  
SWEDEN  
SWITZERLAND

## Unsung Six

A-Deco  
B-Dmitri Loskov  
C-Maris Verpakovskis  
D-Wesley Sneijder  
E-Zlatan Ibrahimovic  
F-Ludovic Giuly

shows signs of being unpredictable & eccentric?	E	
is not very big?	F	
was rejected by an English club though not a Russian?	C	
have worn Ajax shirts?	D	E
are linked in some way to Zinedine Zidane?	A	F
is said to be a dependable player?	B	
transferred countries to get a contract?	A	
are reported to be useful with both left and right feet?	C	D
plays better in front of large crowds?	B	
have youth on their side?	A	D

## The Film

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Check the copyright use before showing extracts from the film. Most DVDs and videos produced for home use exclude use in schools.**

### Part One

Sts own work. Five points might include: *Indian girl playing football. Lives at home. Parents disapprove. Sister getting married. Plays in park. Makes friends with white girl. Gets trial with local amateur club. Pretends to work while training. Buys football shoes instead of shoes for wedding.*

### Part Two

1. Jess 2. In the park 3. Coach; Irish 4. Forbid her from playing 5. Pretends she has a job 6. Get married 7. Seeing a boy who is her fiancé 8. Football boots

3.

1. Jess has always liked football
2. Her parents want her to be a solicitor
3. Jess has worshipped Beckham ever since she first saw him
4. Jules has played...
5. Joe injured his leg...when he was younger
6. Jess's mum has been trying .....
7. Jess hasn't been telling/didn't tell.....she has been going/ went
8. Jules' mum wants her...
9. Jules' dad encourages her.....
10. Joe's dad forced him...

### Part Three

1.

playing Hounslow bare so would whose While for restore misunderstands distressed

3.

1. You have to pay something
  2. I believe some things you say
  3. She said some of it
  4. He thought he would probably go
  5. They had some to start with
- 
1. I don't imagine Jess is at work
  2. don't believe Julie has met Pinky
  3. I don't think her mother is right
  4. I don't suppose you know where Joe is?
  5. I don't imagine they will arrive in Hamburg tonight
  6. I don't think they know who they are playing next week
  7. I don't suppose Jess remembered to tell Hoe she wasn't coming
  8. I don't believe that Jess has enough money to buy the football boots

## England fans in Lisbon

Described by the Portuguese press as on a mission to 'civilise European football' four members of the independent LondonEnglandFans group visited Lisbon last week to develop their preparations for a fan-friendly Euro 2004 in the city. Mark Perryman reports.

'The end of civilisation as we know it' is the more usual explanation of what England and football coming to town means, so the somewhat bizarre notion that fans would want to 'civilise' is maybe not such a huge case of lost in translation. As fans though, we prefer to think of ourselves in a slightly different diplomatic role, as ambassadors. This was very much what our preparations were concentrating on developing: establishing spaces, events, dialogues where fans can fulfil this role.

Reckless? Do-gooders? Out of touch? Hardly, rather these are ideas and initiatives that have come from committed fans who are fed up with the appalling reputation that they feel stuck with - often unfairly - and who have experienced the consequences of that reputation - an unfriendly, often hostile reception.

The Lisbon events are founded on three simple concepts: That football is a culture we share with our hosts. That dialogue and conversation are what we want to encourage, rather than an obsession (on security grounds but with deep cultural consequences) with separation. And that we must work with the media as allies to develop this theme of fan-friendliness.

To this end the Lisbon activities will include a 'Lisbon welcomes England, England Welcomes Lisbon' forum, a children's painting afternoon involving Portuguese and English children, a 'United Colours of Europe' party involving the fans and music of all sixteen competing nations, and a school visit involving fans in English language classes.

This is a hugely ambitious programme, nothing quite like it has ever been attempted at a major international football tournament. But if the response received on the 3-day preparatory visit is anything to go by, then Lisbon is ready to welcome this fan-friendship with open arms.

## Feet in Mouths

We now have.....only exactly the opposite.  
The car in front.....except for the one....  
If history repeats.....I should think.....  
I never comment .....and I'm not going to...  
Here we are.....a Mecca for....  
Have you ever..... On what?

- 3.
1. "It's like being in a different country"
2. ..especially my mother and father
3. ...such as Barcelona

## Spot the Player

- |            |            |             |             |
|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Kanu    | 5. Beckham | 9. Ronaldo  | 13. Beckham |
| 2. Rivaldo | 6. Ronaldo | 10. Rivaldo | 14. Rivaldo |
| 3. Nakata  | 7. Zidane  | 11. Ronaldo | 15. Nakata  |
| 4. Zidane  | 8. Nakata  | 12. Kanu    | 16. Kanu    |