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**2010 FIFA WORLD CUP**

**Portugal**

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One minute a day is all you need to improve your listening skills.

Focus on new words, grammar and pronunciation in this short text.

Doing the online activities, discussion, survey and writing will help.

Listen many times – enough for you to understand everything.

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## THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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OK. Many people thought Portugal would win the last World Cup, and the last European Championship. We didn't. But we still have many players who played in the final at EURO 2004 and semi-final at Germany 2006. We really hope this will be our year to win our first World Cup. We have such fantastic players. Everyone knows Ronaldo, the 2008 world player of the year. There's also the skilful midfield maestro Deco. I know we will play some really beautiful football again. We always do. Everyone looks forward to watching Portugal in action because our football is so attractive. I can't wait for the tournament to begin. Our biggest game in the first round is against Brazil. That's going to be really exciting.

## LISTENING GAP FILL

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

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

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# TEAM PORTUGAL SURVEY

From: [http://www.listenAminute.com/world\\_cup/portugal.html](http://www.listenAminute.com/world_cup/portugal.html)

Write five GOOD questions about Portugal's team 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.







## **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 INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about Portugal's team. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about Portugal. How will they do in the 2010 World Cup? Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**4. PORTUGAL POSTER** Make a poster about Portugal's team. Include profiles of the star players. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

**5. MY PORTUGAL LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on Portugal. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

**6. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on Portugal. Share your findings with the class.

