

Lingokids: Lingokids.

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Speaker 1: Attention, everyone, in our last soccer match, we invited the winners of our halftime dance off challenge to play a quick soccer match against our home team, the Soccer Rhinos. Let's welcome the Lingokids soccer team to the field.

[crowd cheers]

Speaker 2: Let's go. It's time to get on the field.

Elliot: I'm so nervous. I've never played soccer before.

Lisa: It will be fun.

Billy: Playing soccer looks easy.

Speaker 2: All right, Lingokids team, it's game time. Welcome to story time by Lingokids where we discover fascinating facts about the world around us and the fun of play learning. Join us today and cheer us on as we play our first soccer game and learn about sportsmanship.

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Come closer, everyone. We need to agree on our winning plan.

Billy: I'll go there.

Lisa: You will play there.

Billy: [shushes] They can hear you. [whistles]

Speaker 2: Okay, Billy. Not that loud, Billy.

Billy: You do this.

Cowdy: Got it.

Billy: I will be on the left side.

Lingokids: Let's go.

Speaker 2: The most important thing is to have fun and show good sportsmanship.

Lisa: What's that?

Speaker 2: We'll talk about it in a bit. The game's about to start. Let's ask our Lingokids listeners. Who are you going to cheer for?

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Okay. On the count of three, let's all say Lingokids. Everyone join in. One, two, three.

Lingokids: Lingokids.

Speaker 1: All right, teams, the game will be short. Five minutes each half. Play nicely, have fun and let the game begin.

[whistle blows]

The Lingokids team starts with the ball. Lisa passes to Billy who's flopping and tapping the ball as he goes. He passes to their forward, Cowy.

Lisa: Go Cowy. Keep going.

Cowy: I'm going to score.

Speaker 1: The Soccer Rhinos defender comes out of nowhere and steals the ball from Cowy.

[crowd mumbles]

Lisa: Come on, Cowy. You should have shot the ball.

Cowy: Oh, I'm trying.

Elliot: Billy could have passed it better to Cowy.

[whistling sound]

Lisa: You should be paying attention to the goal, Elliot.

Elliot: I am in the goal.

Lisa: I was ready.

Elliot: If you give it to me, I can do it.

Speaker 1: Oh, dear, it looks like the Lingokids players are arguing with each other. The Soccer Rhinos have the ball. They dribble it past the arguing players. Huan takes a shot. It gets passed the keeper. Goal by the Soccer Rhinos.

[whistle blows]

Referee blows the whistle ending the first half of the game. We'll take a quick break and be back for the second half. The score is 1-0. Soccer Rhinos with the lead.

Elliot: I was trying. Lisa didn't help me.

Lisa: I told you to pay attention.

Elliot: No, it's your fault.

Lisa: It was your fault. You didn't pay attention.

Elliot: Not true.

[whistle blows]

Speaker 2: Team, let's not fight. It's not fun and it's not good sportsmanship at all.

Lisa: What's a good sportsmanship?

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Speaker 2: Sportsmanship, it's when you behave nicely when playing a sport and respect others. Even players on the other team. Arguing doesn't help us work as a team or help us try to win. Even worse, we won't have fun.

Elliot: I guess that's true.

Lisa: I'm sorry I said those things, Elliot.

Elliot: Me too.

Billy: Me three. [whistles]

Speaker 2: Do you think we're ready to go back out there?

Lingokids: Yes.

Speaker 2: Okay, everyone. Let's say Lingokids on the count of three. One, two, three.

Lingokids: Lingokids.

[whistle blows]

Speaker 1: The second half begins and the Soccer Rhinos have the ball. Their forward, Huan, takes it towards the goal again and shoots. Oh, what a great block by Lisa on the Lingokids team.

Elliot: Whew, great job, Lisa.

Lisa: Thanks, Elliot.

Speaker 1: The Lingokids team has the ball now. Lisa passes it to midfield. Now, Billy takes it down the field. He's flapping fast. Oh, but a good steal by the Soccer Rhinos.

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Lisa: That's okay, Billy. We can get it back.

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Speaker 1: Billy flies full speed and gets the ball back.

Lisa: Great job, Billy.

Speaker 1: There's only about a minute left in the game. The Lingokids team is making great passes and showing great teamwork. Billy dodges a defender and passes the ball to Cowy.

Billy: Keep going, Cowy. You're almost there.

Speaker 1: Cowy goes past the last defender. It's just the goalie left to beat. Can Cowy score? Cowy takes a shot and-- and the goalie blocks it. Unlucky. It looks like the ref will blow the whistle to end the game.

[whistle blows]

Cowy: Oh, no.

Lisa: It's okay, Cowy. That was a great shot.

Speaker 2: Great job. You all played a really great game.

Cowy: [sobs] We lost.

Speaker 2: It's okay, Cowy. We definitely played as a team this half.

Cowy: That's true.

Speaker 2: Sometimes you win and sometimes you lose. Having great sportsmanship means having a good attitude and a good time even if you lose.

Lisa: I had fun.

Billy: Me too. It was harder than I thought.

Elliot: Look, the crowd is cheering for us.

Speaker 2: That's because we showed great teamwork. Let's show the other team our good sportsmanship and go shake their hands.

Lingokids: Okay.

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Speaker 1: Attention, everyone, we have one more special treat for you. The World Cup is almost here. To celebrate we're dancing and singing a very special song for you.

Speaker 2: How fun. Lingokids listeners, you can join in too.

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Rolling, rolling.

The ball is always rolling, rolling.

All in, all in.

Everybody's always all in.

Rolling, rolling.

The ball is always rolling, rolling.

All in, all in.

Are you ready?

Join the team.

Join the team.

Join the team.

Join the team.

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Are you ready?

Join the team.

Join the team.

Join the team.

Join the team.

Join the team.

Na, na, na, na, na, na.

Play with me.

Na, na, na, na, na, na.

Pass the ball.

Na, na, na, na, na, na.

Score a goal.

Na, na, na, na, na, na.

Join the team.

Join the team.

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Speaker 2: Lingokids listeners, thank you for cheering us on in our first soccer match. We had a great time playing soccer and learning about the importance of teamwork and about what it means to have good sportsmanship.

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That's the power of play learning. See you in our next episode.

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