

**Background:**

Time: right after the 2-2 La Liga soccer match between Real Madrid and Celta Vigo.

Location: The exit of Santiago Bernabeu Stadium

Character: Menger, a reporter of Spanish Sport (interviewer). Michael, a fan of Real Madrid, (interviewee).

Event: Asking for comment of Real Madrid's performance and something about China's soccer.

**Dialogue:**

("ME" for Menger and "MI" for Michael)

ME: Good evening everyone, the 18<sup>th</sup> La Liga match between Real Madrid and Celta Vigo is just over, the game is ended in draw at 2:2. Now I am standing out of the Santiago Bernabeu Stadium, and I am looking for some fans for comments. I see a guy in Real Madrid's uniform right there, let's go.

ME: Good evening, what's your name?

MI: I am Michael.

ME: Nice to meet you Michael, I am Menger from Spanish Sport, I see that you are in Real Madrid's uniform. Are you the fan of Real Madrid?

MI: Oh yes. I flew from China for this match.

ME: Are you from China?

MI: Yep!

ME: Welcome to Spain.

MI: Thanks a lot!

ME: You know, just 10 minutes ago, Real Madrid finished the match with a 2-2 draw, what do you think about their performance?

MI: Well, even though they did not win the game, I think they played very well, all attacks and defenses are organized. Many threatened attacks were made, you know that Cristiano hit the cross bar twice, players are just lack of luck.

ME: Ok, after this match, Real Madrid's accumulate points has fall behind Barcelona by 16, do you think there is any possibility for Real Madrid to win the championship of the La Liga?

MI: You know, as a Real Madrid stan, I do want to say that there is still a hope for them to win the championship, but honestly, I don't think they can make it, 16 points are far too much. Though the goal of winning the league championship is hopeless, I believe our team will perform better in the European Champion Cup in next Tuesday.

ME: You just mentioned next week's European Champion Cup, it's known to all that PSG, the opponent for Real Madrid, has become stronger this year and they performed well in French Ligue. In your perspective, can Real Madrid beat them?

MI: I think our team will win.

ME: In order to beat such a strong team, what aspects do you think that Real Madrid should get ready for?

MI: I think they should pay more attention on defending, you know, Neymar's speed is so fast and his underfoot technique is excellent, and in the past EL Clasico between Real Madrid and Barcelona, Neymar has made many threatened attacks. Now he is more threatened with the assistance of PSG players. And **Mbappé** will also be a threat. Our defender should put their eye on these two. Besides, the midfielders should create more opportunities for Cristiano and Gareth, and our strikers should make more shots. Anyway, I think they should well prepare for this game.

ME: I agree with your idea. Wish that Real Madrid will perform well and win the game.

MI: Thanks!

ME: Okay, can I ask for some questions about China's soccer?

MI: Sure.

ME: We all know that Chinese soccer has made a huge progress these years and the level of the Chinese national team has improved a lot, do you think that they will attend the 2022 World Cup?

MI: I have great confidence in Chinese soccer, you know now in China, everyone loves soccer, even our chairman Xi likes watching soccer. The market of soccer in China is potential, more and more world-class soccer players have transferred to Chinese Soccer League and they have attracted many people, and the government also pay more attention on soccer. The most important thing is, you know, more and more children and teenagers begin to play soccer and they have fell in love with soccer, once you have passion in doing something, you will succeed more possibly, right? So, I do believe that more and more excellent young Chinese soccer player will join our national team in the future, and years later, maybe not 2022, our national soccer team will play in the World Cup. In a word, Chinese soccer has a bright future.

ME: You've made the point, which I think is clear, that Chinese soccer has a bright future!

MI: Thanks!

ME: Alright, that's all I want to ask, thanks for accepting my interview, have a good day!

MI: My pleasure, have a good day!