

Football, also known as soccer in some parts of the world, is the most popular sport globally. It is played between two teams of eleven players each on a rectangular field with a goal at each end. The objective of the game is to score by getting the ball into the opposing team's goal. The team that scores the most goals by the end of the match wins. Football is governed internationally by FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association). It has several major tournaments, with the FIFA World Cup being the most prestigious competition, held every four years. Other major tournaments include the UEFA Champions League, Copa América, and the African Cup of Nations. The sport requires a combination of skills such as speed, agility, endurance, and teamwork. Famous players like Pelé, Diego Maradona, Lionel Messi, and Cristiano Ronaldo have become legends of the game. Football not only entertains but also brings people together, transcending languages, cultures, and borders. It serves as a unifying global force, inspiring millions to play, watch, and celebrate the beautiful game.