# CULTURE • Football vs. basketball I can understand a text about football and basketball.



### Match the words in the box with 1-5.

fan basketball player stadium captain teams







# national teams

Football (or soccer) is the most popular sport in Việt Nam. In 1989, the Vietnam Football Federation began, and in 1991, the national team started to play in international games. The team now plays in competitions such as the FIFA World Cup and the AFC Asian Cup.

### 2 2.20 Read and listen to the text. Then answer the auestions.

- 1 When did the Vietnam Football Federation
- 2 What competitions does the team play in?
- 3 Where is the Mỹ Đình stadium?
- 4 Can you only watch football at Mỹ Đình?
- 5 Is basketball a new sport in Việt Nam?
- 6 How did lots of people watch the 2019 basketball competition?
- 7 What other things can you see at basketball games?

### 3 YOUR CULTURE Answer the questions. Use the internet to help you find the information you need.

- 1 Can you name three national football players or basketball players?
- 2 Where and when is the next match for the national football team?
- 3 Where does the national basketball team train?
- 4 Do you play basketball or football at school?
- 5 What skills do you need to be good at football? What skills do you need for basketball?

## USE IT! Prepare and practise an interview with a famous sports star. Follow the instructions.

- · Work in pairs. One of you is a famous sports star and the other is an interviewer.
- Prepare some questions and answers.
- · Act out the interview in class.

The national team plays at the Mỹ Đình stadium in Hà Nôi. There are athletics events here as well as football matches. You can even go to music concerts!

Basketball is quite a new sport in Viêt Nam. In 2019, the national championship was in Hồ Chí Minh City. The games were on the internet so everyone could enjoy them. The competitions are fast and fun, and there is music and dancing before and after the game.