

Podcast 30 / 2008-9 Worksheet

Bayern Munich and the Bundesliga

(March 14 2009)

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Damon: That's the one.

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Damon: So do you think this means that they could go on and (5) _____ the trophy and also who do you think they fear in the draw next week?

Hans: Good questions both of them. I would like to think they could win the Champions League, but I (6) _____ every team has a good chance right now. So the team's they might fear? Manchester United are playing (7) _____ at the moment, Barcelona are strong. Well any of the English teams at the moment. So, I think any team has a chance at this so Bayern does too.

1.

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6.

B. Listening for Comprehension

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1. What did everyone think at the start of the Bundesliga?
2. How have Bayern Munich been playing recently?
3. How would the neutrals feel if Bayern didn't win the Bundesliga?
4. What affair in Hoffenheim has been a big story recently?
5. Who does think will be European Champions in May?
6. Does he want them to be Champions? Explain your answer.

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Hans: Good questions both of them. I would like to think they could win the Champions League, but I (6) **guess** every team has a good chance right now. So the team's they might fear? Manchester United are playing (7) **beautifully** at the moment, Barcelona are strong. Well any of the English teams at the moment. So, I think any team has a chance at this so Bayern does too.

1. reaction

3. very surprised

5. win

2. hammering, beating by a

4. waiting for, thinking

6. think

big score

something will happen

7. attractive

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That Bayern would easily win the Bundesliga

2. How have Bayern Munich been playing recently?

They've been playing very badly - losing games home and away

3. How would the neutrals feel if Bayern didn't win the Bundesliga?

They would be delighted, very happy

4. What affair in Hoffenheim has been a big story recently?

A doping affair

5. Who does think will be European Champions in May?

Manchester United

6. Does he want them to be Champions? Explain your answer.

No. He says, 'I hate to say it'

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Damon: OK. And at the beginning of the league, in the Bundesliga, everyone thought they would sweep everyone and win comfortably, and it's a tight race at the top at the moment. What do you think are they going to push on from here and get the Championship?

Hans: Well they're still in touch and they've been playing really badly. They've been losing games at home and away, so they have got a chance. But, at the moment Berlin are 4 points clear at the top, so Berlin, very unfashionable team... I think the neutrals in Germany would be delighted if Bayern didn't win and a team like Berlin did.

Damon: Any other interesting news out of the Bundesliga?

Hans: As always the relegation battle is fantastic. The story of Hoffenheim has been wonderful. And they're still up at the top, still in touch... they've been drawing their games recently. But the doping affair, at Hoffenheim actually, has caught the attention of a lot of people around the world. No result there yet, but it's not a pretty story I think.

Damon: And finally who is going to be the European Champion come May in Rome?

Hans: I hate to say it but Manchester United.