Test Your Football Vocabulary

Football Vocabulary: The Game

Write the English words under the pictures.

1. The striker ran past the final defender and then the goalkeeper and slotted the ball into the _______.

2. At the end of the match, the scores were level. This meant that the match would be decided with a _______.

3. The striker lined up to take the free kick. He needed to curl the ball around the opposing team’s _______.

4. The referee saw the foul, but decided that stopping play would hurt the fouled team so decided to call _______.

5. The ball crossed the goal line so the referee blew his whistle to let everyone know that the ball was _______.

6. The champions passed the ball from player to player. They tried to keep _______ of the ball.

7. The midfielder scored an _______ and made the scores level.

8. The players raced along the touchline after the ball. It almost crossed the line, but the attacker managed to keep it _______.

9. The tall midfielder leaped in the air and scored a goal with a powerful _______.

10. The striker was devastated. He tried to pass the ball back to the goalkeeper, but used too much force and scored an _______.

Answers: 1 - open goal, 2 - penalty shootout, 3 - defensive wall, 4 - advantage, 5 - out of play, 6 - possession, 7 - header, 8 - in play, 9 - header, 10 - own goal.