Why do you like football?

In this video, the fans talk about why they like football.

Before you watch the video, what do you think the Brazilian fans will say?

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Talk to your classmates. Tell them why you like football.

Do you think the Brazilian fans’ reasons will be the same?

Where are the fans?

In the video, the fans are interviewed around Rio de Janeiro. Match the fans with what you can see at their locations.

Artur - Aloisio - Victor - Patricia - Emanuela - Fernando - Karina - Caio
Joao - Andre - Peter - Joao Pedro

the beach / the sea
the city / hills
football stadium

Match up

Who said what? Match the Brazilian fans with the adjectives they use when they say why they like football.

Artur - democratic
Patricia - sociable
Fernando - brilliant
Karina - excited
Caio - famous
Joao - unique
Andre - positive
Peter - magical
Joao Pedro - amazing

Gap fill

Complete the sentences with the names of the fans.

1. ____________ thinks football is important but doesn’t like watching football.
2. ____________ grew up playing football.
3. ____________ thinks the rules are easy to understand.
4. ____________ thinks football is a team game.
5. ____________ thinks it’s amazing when their team scores a goal.
6. ____________ thinks football has positive values.
7. ____________ thinks there is no other sport like football.
8. ____________ has no choice but to like football.
9. ____________ thinks it’s good to play with friends.
10. ____________ is excited by the crowd cheering.

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Send us a video telling us why you like football and you could win a shirt from your favourite Premier League team and get your video on the website. Look for the competition in Fans > Why I am...
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Transcript

Artur: I don’t know everything about football makes me excited. Just thinking I’m going to the game or thinking about the Goal... or the crowd chanting the chorus... Ah, it just makes me feel good.

Aloisio: I guess that every Brazilian loves football. It’s all about our culture. We grew up seeing football and I grew up playing football so that’s why I like it.

Victor: Being a Brazilian, I don’t have any choice. It’s part of our culture. You must have a team, even if you’re not really a fan, but you know it’s social networking.

Patricia: I like it’s because it’s simple; anyone can understand it, follow it. The rules are easy to understand so it’s very democratic.

Emanuela: I think football brings people together so... I don’t really like it or like to watch it, but yeah I think it’s very important.

Fernando: I think it’s a representation of collaboration, friendship, excitement... There are so many positive values associated with football.

Karina: I like football because I think it’s a sport that most people like and we can just all gather around and watch the football. It’s something really fun and sociable.

Caio: Football is a sport that I like too much because it’s... erm... a unique sport.

Joao: It’s so much adrenaline to see a football game and it’s pretty amazing when you see your team scoring a goal.

Andre: It’s the most famous game in Brazil. Everyone plays it and it’s a good sport to play with your friends.

Peter: I like football because it’s a team game, but you can also make a brilliant appearance by being a surprise element and have a goal on your own.

Joao Pedro: Football... I like it because it’s an art... and is very magical how it includes everybody. So that’s why I like it.