



The Prettiest KICK



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Hey, Maria here. The girls
on the football team are so
different from my brothers.
How do I work with them?



Vocabulary



football



join



practice



braid



pass



goal



wave



kick



block



teammate



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Warm-Up Activity

Think and check.

What do you call these football moves? Check the correct answer.

☐ kick

☐ pass



☐ goal

☐ kick



☐ block

☐ miss



☐ miss

☐ pass

☐ block

☐ goal





Maria loved her brothers very much.
She wanted to be just like them and
even wore their old clothes.





She loved it when they read comic books or played cards together. But her favorite thing to do was to play football with them.



“Can I join your football team?”

Maria asked her brothers.



“Sorry, boys only,” said Miguel.

“Go play with the girls over there,” said Carlos.

The girls were practicing the dance
for Festa Junina.



0040 Maria didn't want to join those girls,
but her family had a different idea.



“Why don’t you join the girls’ football team?”
said Miguel. “You can make some new friends!”
“I talked to Ms. Santos. She said you could
join today!” said Mama.



After-Reading Activities

A. Draw and play. How can you explain the vocabulary words without talking? Draw how you will act out three words using your body. Then, play with a friend.

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