

World Cup Activities

Useful websites:

<http://www.fifa.com/worldcup/index.html>

<http://www.football.co.uk/worldcup/>



Here are some questions to get you investigating the World Cup.

The teams are organised into groups. How many groups are there?	
Which group is England (or your own country) in?	Country: Group:
How many teams are in each group?	
In the first stage, each team has to play all the others in its group. How many matches will each team have to play?	
List your favourite team's matches: v v v
How many European teams are in the competition?	



Match these capital cities to the participating European countries.

Athens	
Paris	
Amsterdam	
Berlin	
Ljubljana	
Rome	
Madrid	
Bratislava	
Lisbon	
London	
Copenhagen	
Belgrade	
Berne	



If you use a pencil, you can update this chart as matches are played.

Group C

Team	Matches Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Points
England							
Slovenia							
Algeria							
USA							

More World Cup Teaching Ideas

Literacy

- Using maps of South Africa for venues
- Locating information on tables and charts

Try this PDF File

http://www.fifa.com/mm/document/tournament/competition/64/42/24/2010fwc_matcheschedule_3004_en.pdf

- Poetry - rhyming words

Try this selection of six Liverpool songs

<http://extras.timesonline.co.uk/pdfs/footballsongs.pdf>

- Alphabetical order (team members, squad names, etc.)
- General reading comprehension, reading instructions, rules, etc. There are many useful PDF documents (with clear fonts, diagrams, etc.) available. Try this one (140 pages!) which includes detailed diagrams of football pitches etc and is useful for both literacy and numeracy

<http://www.fifa.com/mm/document/affederation/federation/81/42/36/lawsofthegameen.pdf>

Numeracy

- Marking matches on calendars
- Costing travel to South Africa
- Costing ticket prices
- Counting how many groups there are to begin with
- Counting how many matches England will play in group stage
- Counting how many teams in a group
- Counting how many teams are in it at the start
- Working out total time of match
- Large numbers - capacity of stadiums
- Keeping scores of matches
- Understanding the point system

Statistics

Try the Association of Football Statisticians at

<http://www.11v11.co.uk/>