

Football team flies 7,000km and loses 12-0

Vocabulary Match

allowed ● competition ● regions ● attempts ● performance ● overseas ●
● tries ● areas ● contest ● abroad ● show ● permitted

Article

Golden Lion, a football team from a small Caribbean island called Martinique, travelled nearly 7,000km to play in the French Cup. It's usually warm in Martinique, but it was very cold in France.

They were allowed to take part in the competition because teams from many of France's overseas regions can play. They went to Lille, a big French team, hoping to win. But, Lille used their best players and won the game 12-0. Two players from Lille, Jonathan David from Canada and Edon Zhegrova, scored six of the twelve goals.

Lille had 37 attempts on goal, but Golden Lion only had one. Jonathan David said, "We played well and scored a lot of goals. I'm happy with our team's performance."

Quiz

1. Where is the Golden Lion football team from?
2. Why were they allowed to participate in the French Cup?
3. How many goals did Jonathan David and Edon Zhegrova score together?
4. How did Jonathan David feel about the game?

Conversation

A: Did you hear about the game?
B: Yes, it was a tough loss for Golden Lion.
A: They traveled so far for it.
B: True, but that's the game. Sometimes you win, sometimes you lose.
A: At least they had the opportunity to play in the French Cup.
B: Yes, and they'll learn from this experience.

Discussion

1. Have you ever watched a football game? How was it?
2. If you could play in a football team, what position would you like to play?
3. What's the farthest you've ever travelled for a sport or event?
4. How do you feel when you lose in a game or contest? How do you handle it?