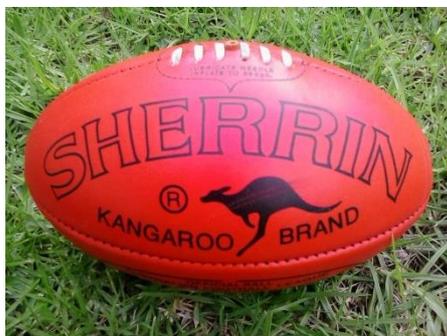


Aussie Rules Football

Aussie Rules was created in 1841. It is a game that is exclusively played in Australia.



Aim Of The Game

The aim of the game is to kick the football between a series of 4 goal posts. Depending on which posts the ball goes between will depend on how many points you score. The ball can be passed around between team mates in a series of techniques and the winning team will be the team with the highest number of points at the end of the game.

Field, Players and Equipment

Aussie rules fields are usually oval with dimensions ranging from 135 to 185 metres in length, and 110 to 155 metres in width.

At each end of the field there are 4 tall posts. These are the scoring zones and they are 6 metres in height. The two front posts are 6.4 metres apart and represent the main scoring area (goal). The two post behind are also 6.4 metres apart and represent the secondary scoring area (point).

The ball is made from leather and forms an oval shape (similar to a rugby ball). Other markings on the field include a goal square that is 9 metres wide and spanning with width of the goals posts, centre square and centre circle.

Each team consists of 18 players all assigned to different positions. These players are allowed to move freely on the field. Each team may also have up to three substitutes which are 'rolling' meaning they can come on and off as many times as they want.

There are seven referees for Aussie Rules Football in total.



Scoring

If the ball is kicked between the two goal posts (middle posts) then 6 points are awarded. If the ball goes between a goal post and one of the behind posts (point) then 1 point is awarded. 1 point is also awarded if the ball is carried or forced over the scoring line by the attacking team.

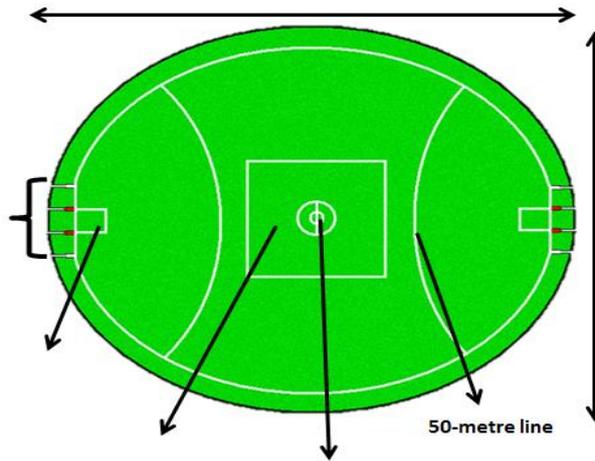
Laws of Aussie Rules Football

- By kicking the ball between the goal posts without it being touched by any other player, then 6 points are awarded. If the ball is kicked without being touched between the behind posts (point) then 1 point is scored.
- A game consists of four 20 minute quarters.
- The game starts with ruck. This is where the referee bounces the ball in the centre circle so that it rebounds vertically to be contested by the players in the centre square. After a goal has been scored the game will be restarted with the same way as at the beginning of the game.
- The only way you can pass the ball is to hand ball. You cannot throw or slap the ball to perform a successful pass.
- A player can 'mark' the ball when they receive it: the player catches the ball without the ball bouncing or the player catches the ball after it has travelled over 10 metres.
- Players can tackle opponents to try and win back the ball. A player can only be tackled from shoulder height downwards.



Once you have read the text carefully answer these questions.

1. Complète le schéma du terrain :



2. Comment est le ballon ? (forme, matière) _____

3. Combien y a-t-il de joueurs par équipe et d'arbitres ? _____

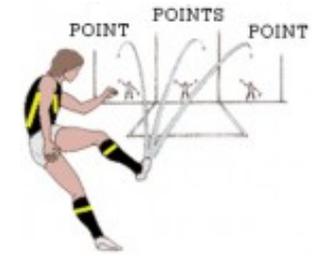
4. Quelle est la durée des matches ? _____

5. Comment est donné le coup d'envoi ?

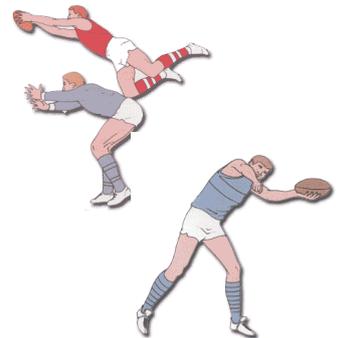


6. Comment marquent les équipes ?

6'. Comment sont comptabilisés les points ?



7. Qu'est-ce que le 'mark' ou arrêt de volée ?



8. Comment se fait une passe à la main ?

9. Comment s'effectue un plaquage dans les règles ?

10. Qui sont-ils ? Retrouve le mot anglais répété plusieurs fois dans le texte :

