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Watch Referee Neil Doyle

ENGLISH

Click the TV to watch the video of FIFA International Referee, Neil Doyle as he prepares for a match and answer the following questions.

- 1. What is Neil's favourite pre-match meal? 2. What two items does Neil make sure he takes from
- 3. Why does Neil walk the pitch before the game?

 - 4. Why does Neil ask the player to leave the pitch at 5. How many sanctions did Neil apply in the game?



There are over 1,200 registered referees in Ireland.



FUN FACT

Eddie Foley was the first Irish match official to officiate at a World Cup during France 1998

Healthy Eating

Carbohydrates are found in foods like bread, pasta, rice and potatoes. These give you energy and should make up half of every meal.

GAEILGE

- 1. In the first half, there was an injury to a player that stopped the game for two minutes and 4 substitutes that stopped the game for 30 seconds each. How much added time should the referee add on to the end of the half?
 - What is the area of the penalty area?
- 3. If both teams make 3 substitutions and the home team have had to substitute one of their subs. How many players have participated in the match?
 - 4. If the referee gives eight yellow cards and three red cards in a game, all to different players, what percentage of players on the field have received a card?
 - Extra Time consists of two halves each lasting 15 minutes. How many seconds does extra time last?



- Déan roinnt taighde agus freagair na ceisteanna / Do some research and answer the questions
- 3. Cén réiteoir Éireannach a rinne breithiúnas ar Chluiche i Sraith Europa i mí na Nollag? 4. Céard atá i lámh an leas-réiteoir ar thaobh na páirce? 5. Cad iad na dathanna atá ar chártaí Réiteora?

Translate the Words/Aistrigh na focail

Whistle

Free Kick

Substitution



YOUR HALF-TIME TASK
It is important for a referee to be able to keep up with the game. Fitness is very important for referees and they undergo regular

fitness tests and training to maintain their fitness.

Test your fitness by setting up a straight 25 meter track. Time yourself as you complete the track 10 times each day and see if you can improve on your time by the end of the week.

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Click the book to read up on the Laws of the Game



GEOGRAPHY

Irish referees are well travelled. Tell us which country these games were in

The home team are in green

that Irish referees have officiated. You might need to do some research!

Qarabağ FK v Maccabi Tel Aviv FC

Nõmme Kalju FC v NŠ Mura

FC Midtjylland v Lille OSC

Áris Thessaloniki FC v Molde FK

FC Zorya Luhansk v FK Budućnost Podgorica

Maccabi Tel Aviv FC v FK Sūduva

FC Alashkert v Fotbal Club FCSB

FC Santa Coloma v Astana



Michelle O'Neill has become one of the most known names in Irish football as a referee. She has refereed games such as the 2014 FAI Women's Cup Final but has become more known as an Assistant Referee.

Her career has taken off in the last couple of years as she has been part of two FIFA Women's World Cup Finals including being the Assistant Referee for the 2019 Final. She was also the Assistant Referee for the 2019 UEFA Men's Super

Watch the video with Michelle O'Neill and answer the questions below

What convinced Michelle to become a Referee after she finished playing?

2. In which tournament did Michelle assist Stéphanie Frappart for the first time?

3. In which country did Michelle attend her first Women's World Cup?

What athletic abilities does Michelle need to have to go to the World Cup?

QUIZ TIME

Test your knowledge to see if you have what it takes to be a referee.

Read the scenario and decide what decision you will take:

- 1. A shot is blocked on the goal line by the defender with their hand.
- 2. Two players are competing for the ball. The attacker pushes the defender to the ground, the defender then handles the ball.
- 3. A player takes a shot that deflects off the referee who is standing in the penalty area and goes directly into the goal.
- 4. An attacker takes an indirect free kick and it enters the goal without touching any other player.
- 5. A defender while challenging for the ball tackles a player using their studs and connecting with the attacker's knee with excessive force.
- 6. A player taking a throw in, throws the ball directly into the opponents goal.
- 7. At the taking of a penalty kick, a fan runs onto the pitch and kicks the ball in the goal.

