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**2010 FIFA WORLD CUP**

**Argentina**

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One minute a day is all you need to improve your listening skills.

Focus on new words, grammar and pronunciation in this short text.

Doing the online activities, discussion, survey and writing will help.

Listen many times – enough for you to you understand everything.

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## THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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## LISTENING GAP FILL

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

**STUDENT A's QUESTIONS** (Do not show these to student B)

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

**STUDENT B's QUESTIONS** (Do not show these to student A)

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# TEAM ARGENTINA SURVEY

From: [http://www.listenAminute.com/world\\_cup/argentina.html](http://www.listenAminute.com/world_cup/argentina.html)

Write five GOOD questions about Argentina's team in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

 **WRITING**

From: [http://www.listenAminute.com/world\\_cup/argentina.html](http://www.listenAminute.com/world_cup/argentina.html)

**Write about Argentina’s team for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other’s work.**

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## **HOMEWORK**

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about Argentina's team. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about Argentina. How will they do in the 2010 World Cup? Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**4. ARGENTINA POSTER** Make a poster about Argentina's team. Include profiles of the star players. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

**5. MY ARGENTINA LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on Argentina. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

**6. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on Argentina. Share your findings with the class.

