

HOT TOPICS

1. This weekend is Grand Final time for Aussie Rules and next week for Rugby League. Do you know the names of any football teams in Australia? Which teams will play in the Aussie Rules Grand Final this Saturday?
2. In pairs, interview your partner and ask them the following questions: What do people do around Grand Final time in your country? What do they wear? What do they eat? Who do they watch the game with? How do they celebrate if their team wins?
3. Have you ever played in a premiership team or won something? Discuss. How long did the winning feeling/celebrations last?
4. The Aussie Rules Grand Final will be shown on the big screen in many venues this Saturday at 2.30 pm.
The two teams are St Kilda (the Saints) and Collingwood (the magpies). Here are some phrases you can use when watching the game – practice saying with expression in your group:
 - Go the Saints! - Come on the Pies!
 - Play on - Ball (holding the ball)
 - What a beauty - What a speckie (what a spectacular mark)
 - Kick it - Great goal
 - What a ripper - unbelievable!

5. The winner of the AFL game on Saturday wins the AFL premiership cup and winners of Sunday week's ARL final win the Premiership shield. Both teams also win lots of money and fame. One famous sports person, Berhard Langer from Germany used to be the number one golfer in the world. He said, "In 1985 I won seven major golf tournaments in five continents including the grand slam event the US masters. I also have a beautiful wife and everything I could ever dream of, but something is missing..."

What do you think he was talking about? What was missing? If you were a famous person, what would you want to have?

Today's bible reading is about winning a prize, the greatest prize of all. A prize that will last forever. It is from John 3:16 in the Bible. Jesus said:
"God loved the people of this world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life (life forever) and never die."

6. Have you heard this before? What does it mean? How would you describe the prize of being with God forever? Discuss in pairs.
7. How do we win or receive this prize of eternal life with God?

Winning is great, especially winning a grand final, the celebrations and enjoyment is euphoric, but in 100 years time, who will care who won this week's grand final or that Spain won The World Cup. There must be more to life. Something that will last forever.

Vocabulary

Play on – continue playing the ball
What a beauty: What a great kick, catch, try etc
What a ripper: fantastic!
God's Son: Jesus
Eternal life: heaven, being with God forever
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