



Soccer Merit

Some answers will need to be written on a separate sheet of paper and put into your notebook.

1. Read a soccer rule book.
2. Read a book on the history of soccer and tell when soccer was introduced to the Olympic games.

Title of book: _____

Soccer was introduced to the Olympic Games in _____

3. Draw a diagram of a soccer field and label all the important parts including the measurements of the playing field, goals, and penalty area in front of the goals.
4. Demonstrate five soccer skills drills.
5. Explain what "offside" means and explain the difference between a red card and a yellow card.
6. Tell how many players are on the field for each team. List and explain the role of each position in a soccer team.

7. Define the following soccer terms:

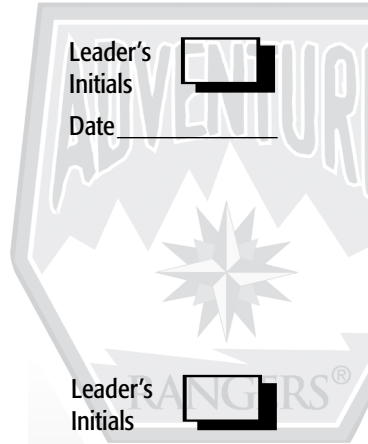
- a. Assist _____

- b. Back pass _____

- c. Bending the ball _____

- d. Chip _____

- e. Closing down _____



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- f. Cross _____

- g. Dropkick _____

- h. Holding _____

- i. Keep your shape _____

- j. Mark _____

- k. Opening the field _____

- l. Save _____

- m. Touchline _____

- n. Volley _____

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- 8. Write a 300-word essay about how soccer participation has personally benefited your life.
- 9. Earn a letter or a certificate of participation for soccer (junior high, high school, city, or an organized club), as a player, team manager, or referee.
- 10. Interview a soccer coach (preferably Christian) regarding the following items. Include the notes from your interview.
 - a. A winning attitude
 - b. Building character
 - c. Setting a good example and being a good role model
 - d. Physical fitness
 - e. Preparation for the future

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