

**Starters** - Read the story then answer the questions.

## The football family

Mr and Mrs Ship have four children. Ben is ten, Sue is eight, Jill is six and little Mark is two years old. The Ship family have a brown and white dog, too. His name is Tick!

The Ship family LOVE playing football. They play football in their garden, on the beach, in the playground and in their street. But...

Mr Ship isn't very good. He can't kick the ball.

Mrs Ship can't throw the ball.

Ben can't bounce the ball.

Sue can't catch the ball.

Jill can't run and little Mark can't pick up the ball.

Oh dear!

But the family LOVE playing football.

Today, the Ship family are in the park. They like going to Green Park. They take bread there for the ducks!

The Ship family are playing football now. But they aren't playing with a football. They are playing with Tick's favourite ball.

Sue catches the ball and then she throws it!

Mrs Ship runs and kicks it.

Then Mr Ship runs but he doesn't kick the ball.

Then Jill catches it and then she bounces it.

Then Ben kicks the ball very well and it goes into the water...

Oh dear!



But Tick jumps into the water and swims and swims.

He picks up the ball with his mouth and swims and swims again.

Now Tick is giving the ball to little Mark. Mark can't pick it up.

But little Mark is kicking the ball very well!

'Hurray!' the family say and clap and clap. 'Well done, Tick and well done Mark!' Tick wags his tail and Mark has a big smile on his face.

'What a good game!' say Mr and Mrs Ship.

'It's a fantastic game,' says Ben.

'It's a fun game,' says Sue.

'It's a really cool game,' says Jill.

'I LOVE football,' says little Mark.

'Woof, woof!' says Tick and runs and jumps into the water again!

**Task 1 Answer the questions**

- 1 How many children are there in the family?
- 2 What is the name of the family's dog?
- 3 What is the name of the park?
- 4 Where does the ball go?
- 5 Who does the dog give the ball to?

**Task 2 Write ONE word in sentences 1-5.**

- 1 Mr and Mrs ..... are the children's mum and dad.
- 2 Jill is ..... years old.
- 3 The family's dog is ..... and white.
- 4 The family give some ..... to the ducks.
- 5 ..... kicks the ball into the water.

**Task 3 Choose the right word.**

- 1 The family like playing football ..... the street. *in at with*
- 2 Mark can't pick ..... the ball. *from up on*
- 3 The children's father ..... not kick the ball. *do done does*
- 4 The bread is ..... the ducks. *on under for*
- 5 This family really likes ..... football! *play plays playing*

**Task 4 How many? Write the number.**

- 1 How many legs has one dog got?
- 2 How many tails has one dog got?
- 3 How many ears has one dog got?
- 4 How many eyes have three ducks got?
- 5 How many feet have five ducks got?
- 6 How many mouths have five ducks got?
- 7 How many noses have eight ducks got?
- 8 How many hands have ten children got?

**Task 5 Read the answers. What are the questions?**

- 1 How ..... ? I'm nine years old.
- 2 What ..... ? Maria Brown
- 3 Where ..... ? Our flat is in School Street.
- 4 Do ..... ? Yes! It's a fantastic game.

**Task 6 Now answer questions about YOU!**

- 1 What's your favourite sport? It's .....
- 2 What's your favourite place? I like going to .....
- 3 What's your favourite animal? I like .....
- 4 What's your favourite colour? It's .....
- 5 What's your favourite food? I love eating .....
- 6 What's your favourite toy or game? I love my .....
- 7 What's the name of your favourite? It's .....
- 8 What's your favourite hobby? I really enjoy .....