

# “Tyler's First Game”

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories (4)

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

Tyler is on a soccer team. The team is called the Tiny Tigers.

Tyler plays in his first soccer game next week. He is *nervous*.

“You need to *practice* everyday before the game,” says Tyler’s mother.

Tyler practices in the morning. He practices at recess. He practices after school.

Tyler’s older brother *teaches* him new things about soccer. Tyler’s coach teaches him new things about soccer.

On the day of the game Tyler wears his new uniform. He and his mother drive to the game. He practices one more time with his team before the game.

The game begins.

Tyler is *excited*. He wants to play well. He does not want to make a mistake.

“Let’s go Tyler! You can do it!” Tyler’s mother says. Tyler plays hard.

Tyler’s team loses the game, but Tyler is *happy*. He does not care that he lost because he had fun.

The Tiny Tigers eat pizza after the game.

That night Tyler goes to sleep. He dreams about practicing soccer the next day.



## Questions:

- 1) What team did Tyler play for?
  - A. The Mini Muppets
  - B. The Small Smokies
  - C. The Tiny Tigers
  - D. The Wee Winners
- 2) When did Tyler practice soccer?
  - A. In the morning
  - B. At recess
  - C. After school
  - D. All of the above
- 3) Who taught Tyler new things about soccer?
  - A. His younger brother
  - B. His coach
  - C. His older brother
  - D. B and C
- 4) What did the team do after the game?
  - A. Went swimming
  - B. Went to the mall
  - C. Ate pizza
  - D. Drank champagne
- 5) What did Tyler dream about?
  - A. The next soccer game
  - B. Eating pizza
  - C. Practicing soccer the next day
  - D. All of the above

## Vocabulary:

- 1) Tyler is *nervous* before his game. So, Tyler...
  - A. is happy
  - B. is excited
  - C. is a little scared
  - D. B and C
- 2) When you *practice* something, you...
  - A. do it one time.
  - B. do it many times.
  - C. never do it.
  - D. do it for five seconds.
- 3) Tyler’s brother and coach *teach* him about soccer. This means they...
  - A. have a party with him.
  - B. instruct him about soccer.
  - C. forget him.
  - D. none of the above.
- 4) The opposite of *excited* is...
  - A. happy.
  - B. bored.
  - C. hungry.
  - D. thirsty.
- 5) The opposite of *happy* is...
  - A. tired.
  - B. scared.
  - C. sad.
  - D. all of the above.