

## Arbeitsblätter

### Englisch – Australian Football - Klassenstufe 9/10

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#### Australian Football League (AFL) - general facts

For the following tasks you can read texts or find videos on the internet. See below for help.

1) Tick (✓) if the statement is right or wrong and correct answers that are wrong.

statement	right	wrong	correct answer
The AFL was founded in 1899.		<b>X</b>	<b>1858</b>
Australian football was started to keep cricketers fit during winter.	<b>X</b>		
In Australia, soccer is more popular than Australian football.		<b>X</b>	<b>Australian football has the highest spectator attendance and television viewership of all sports in Australia.</b>

2) Pick the correct answer.

a) The AFL final is played in ...

- Sydney                       Canberra                      **X** **Melbourne**

**Kommentiert [TS1]:** in the MCG (Melbourne Cricket Ground)

b) Without a bounce, a player is allowed to carry the ball for ...

- 21 yards                      **X** **16 yards**                       11 yards

**Kommentiert [TS2]:** about 15 metres

c) Compared to "soccer" in terms of size, the AFL field is

- X** **larger**                       smaller                       no different

**Kommentiert [TS3]:** Footy: oval of 110 by 155 metres  
Soccer: rectangle of 68 by 105 metres

3) Questions

- a) What's the nickname for Australian Football? Hint: It is not AFL.

**The short name for Australian Football is "footy".**

- b) When was the Australian Football League first formed?

**As the Victorian Football Association, it was formed in Victoria in 1877. The VFL's inaugural season was in 1897. After being renamed in 1990 it became the AFL.**

- c) Where was Australian football first established?

**It was first established in Victoria.**

- d) There are several types of "referees" in Australian football. Name at least three.

**field umpire, goal umpire, boundary umpire, emergency umpire and interchange steward**

- e) What's one important task of the "ruckman"?

**It is to win a ball-up in a hit-out.**

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**Australian Football - rules**

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1) Tick (✓) if the statement is right or wrong and correct answers that are wrong.

statement	right	wrong	correct answer
The ball looks like a rugby ball.	X		
Another name for the field is the "round".		X	oval
There are 22 players on the field.		X	18 per team
There are three breaks in a match.	X		
A full match is 90 minutes long.		X	80 minutes
You are allowed to "throw" the ball.		X	bounce, kick or hand-ball

**Kommentiert [TS4]:** There are 22 players per team all together.

**Kommentiert [TS5]:** Four quarters usually means three breaks.

**Kommentiert [TS6]:** 20 minutes per quarter

2) Questions

a) How many points are awarded for a "goal" and for a "behind"?

**There are 6 points for a goal and 1 for a behind.**

b) What's a "behind"?

**You kick the ball between the central and outer post.**

c) What happens if too many players are on the field?

**The offending team gets a free kick and there is a 50-metre penalty against the offenders.**

d) What does "tackle" mean and what is allowed?

**It means to try to take the ball or stop a player. You are allowed to use your hands and touch or hold your opponent from below the shoulders to above the knees.**

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**Activity - footy skills lab**

Find videos from a video platform or apps on webpages like, e.g. <https://play.afl/footyskillslab><sup>1</sup> to do the following exercises.

- 1) Try out all the activities  
(You will need a ball. Try to be innovative if you don't have a ball.)
- 2) How many activities are provided?

**There are three.**

- 3) What are the different types of activities offered?

**ball handling, decision making, testing the power**

- 4) Describe the activity you liked most and least. Give a reason.

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<sup>1</sup> **Hinweis für Lehrer\*innen:** Die Suche nach Videos bzw. Apps im Internet darf nur auf schuleigenen Geräten erfolgen. Es muss sichergestellt sein, dass dabei keine persönlichen Daten der Schüler\*innen erfasst werden.

### Aspects of Australian Football - community

- 1) What is AFL 9s? Find out about it on their website: <https://play.afl/afl9s-rules>

**a smaller version of AFL, rectangular field, fewer players**

- 2) What is the difference between the professional football and 9s?

**There is less contact between players. The community aspect is also a difference as AFL is mainly for professionals.**

- 3) Why do you think 9s is played?

**Because the game in its original form can lead to injuries more easily. Moreover, you can put together teams to play faster as you need fewer players. (Does this mean the game is faster or that it's easier to put a team together?)**

### Australian Football - experience

Find videos on the web that provide a good overview of the sport. There are videos that explain the sport very clearly as well as whole matches.

Pick three videos or part of one yourself and present it/them to your classmates and teacher. The videos should not be longer than two minutes. Decide on one aspect for each video, briefly explain the aspect and tell everyone why you chose it.

### More help

Wikipedia: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australian\\_rules\\_football](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australian_rules_football)

AFL Beginners Guide: <https://www.ozstudies.com/blog/study-australia/afl-australian-rules-football-explained-guide>

Google search words (also for videos): "AFL explained" or "AFL rules explained"  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dtmu-1kMFZw>

**Kommentiert [TS7]:** Ein Bewertungsmöglichkeit ist die Übereinstimmung der gezeigten/gewählten Video mit den beschriebenen Aspekten und der Stimmigkeit der Begründung.