



**WOMEN'S  
FOOTBALL**



**Not suitable for women?!?!**

Read each question carefully, and where applicable, choose the most precise answer. Remember to write in full sentences, and think about your punctuation and capitalisation. That's medal-winning work!

1. Which woman do historians think owned the world's oldest football, dating back to the 1540s?

- a) Queen Cleopatra of Egypt
- b) Queen Elizabeth II of England
- c) Mary Queen of Scots



Source: Smith Art Gallery & Museum - Stirling

2. How many people attended a women's football match in England on Boxing Day, 1920?

- a) 5,300
- b) 53,000
- c) 530,000



Source: [http://www.donmouth.co.uk/womens\\_football/football\\_feminin.html](http://www.donmouth.co.uk/womens_football/football_feminin.html)

3. What did women soccer players in Australia have to do to pay for their uniforms and travel? Why do you think they didn't have sponsorships like they do today?

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4. Can you remember some alternative names that people came up with for The Matildas?

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5. The theme for this year's 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup is Beyond Greatness! Design your own logo for this year's world cup. It should represent the slogan and the diversity of players attending.



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**How Times Change**

Take a look at the images on the right and remember what you heard in the podcast.

1. Talk with a partner about what has remained the same and what has changed in women's football from the 1800s to today.

Write some notes in the table below.



1880s

Source: <https://www.thefa.com/womens-girls-football/heritage/kicking-down-barriers>



1920s

Source: [http://www.donmouth.co.uk/womens-football/dick\\_kerr.html](http://www.donmouth.co.uk/womens-football/dick_kerr.html)



2020s

Source: Getty Images

| SAME | CHANGED |
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If you could ask the women in the 1880s or 1920s teams some questions, what would you want to find out? It could be about the game or their lives. Work with a partner and write at least two questions.




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