

## GISONDI/FIELD GUIDE TO COVERING SPORTS

# SOCCER EXERCISE

**DIRECTIONS** – WRITE A STORY THAT IS AT LEAST 400 WORDS FOR THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER IN FRANKLIN USING APPROPRIATE AP STYLE, GRAMMAR AND SENTENCE STRUCTURE. AS ALWAYS, LEAD WITH THE MOST COMPELLING ASPECTS OF THE GAME AND INCLUDE ESSENTIAL RESULTS INFORMATION IN THE OPENING GRAPHS.

### FACT SHEET

- The day of the week this game is played: Friday
- Teams played two 40-minute halves
- Team records before the game – Franklin (21-2) and Moore (14-8)
- Franklin HS advances to the regional final
- In the other regional semifinal, Red Mud Springs High defeated LaCroix High, 4-0.
- The final is set for next Tuesday.
- Earlier this year, Franklin defeated Red Mud Springs 1-0 on penalty kicks during the Futbol Classico, a tournament held during the first week of the season.
- Time in soccer games starts at 00:00. So a goal scored at 2:10 means the score took place 2 minutes, 10 seconds into the game.
- Weather: 64 degrees, slight drizzle for the first half.
- Betsy Hennessey entered the game with 18 goals this season.
- Sarah Hennessey entered the game with 18 assists and 12 goals.
- A month ago, Ciurcovich had set a team-record by saving 13 shots on a goal in a game.
- Carli Lloyd now has 28 goals.
- Franklin won last year's regional title.
- Red Bordeaux is in his 26<sup>th</sup> season as girls soccer coach, all at the same school. His record during this time: 399-148. His teams have won eight regional titles.

### SCORING

- Goal 1 – Sarah Hennessey passed to Sonia Amirzadeh, who dribbled the ball five yards and then fired in a shot from about eight feet out. The shot went into the upper left corner. The goalie, Faith Solo, dove too late to stop the shot. Franklin 1, Moore High 0. Time: 2:10.
- Goal 2 – Carli Lloyd took a pass from Becky Carlson. Lloyd immediately shot from about 18 feet out. The shot bounced into the top of the crossbar. It then fell downward and bounced into the net. Time: 27:29.
- Goal 3 – Ali Basso scored from 12 feet out after dribbling the ball from midfield. There was no assist. The shot went into the lower right side of the goal. The ball rolled through several players on both sides. Time: 36:48.
- Goal 4 – Betsy Hennessey, Sarah's sister, bolted down the left sideline. She then cut to take a crossing pass from Susan Tomko. Betsy then leaped and headed ball into outstretched hands of Faith Solo. After the shot, Betsy slammed her head into the right goal post. Time: 42:12.
- Goal 5 – Betsy Hennessey scored the final goal on a free kick from the 18-yard line. Leda Giordano had been called for a handball, which set up this free kick. Hennessey buried the shot into the upper left side of the net. Faith Solo, meanwhile, dived to the right. Time: 79:02.

**Note** – With 20 seconds left, Moore's Jamie Buenzow broke behind Franklin's defense after getting a pass from Deb Sanchez just past midfield. Buenzow looked to have a wide-open shot on goal. A goal would have sent the game into a 10-minute overtime period. Ciurcovich came out from the goal. By the time Buenzow was at the 18-yard line (the top of the goal box), Ciurcovich was within a few feet. Buenzow prepared to shoot. Ciurcovich leaped in the air. Buenzow's shot ricocheted off Ciurcovich's arms and rolled out of bounds as time expired on the clock.

## QUOTES

Ciurcovich on the second goal, scored by Basso: "I could not see the ball once it left the girl's foot. The players in front of me blocked me out. By the time I saw the ball, it was a few feet from the goal line. There was nothing I could do at that point."

Faith Solo on the free kick: "I just guessed wrong. I had looked at Hennessey's feet before she shot the ball. Clearly, she faked me out. That girl is a sniper."

Betsy Hennessey on the free kick: "I had all the pressure on me. I was like, 'I have to do this. This is my chance.' I put the ball down, took a breath, looked for the corner and went for it."

Betsy Hennessey on the header: "I saw the ball coming through the air and felt the goal right in front of me. I didn't want to risk the score by trying to kick the ball from the air. It was worth the pain."

Franklin High coach Red Bordeaux: "Betsy was a beast out there today, scoring those two goals and played as hard as she ever has. Boy, I was worried about when she slammed into the goal post. I could hear her hit it from across the field. Boy, does she have a hard head. I would have laughed had I not been so worried about her."

Moore High coach Stan Messerschmidt: "They have a tough defense. We didn't get too many opportunities, although we took advantage of those we did get."

Messerschmidt on Ciurcovich. "Lydia played another stellar game today, stopping several tough shots. Her skill on that breakaway was breath taking. She used the proper technique and timed her slide perfectly. There's a reason she's one of the best in the state."

Moore forward Becky Carlson: "We definitely had our opportunities, especially on that final ball in the second half. We just couldn't find a way to get it past their keeper. That's the way soccer goes. Sometimes you score, sometimes you don't. Not a whole lot we can do about that, I suppose."

SCORING/STATS ARE POSTED ON THE TWO PAGES BELOW

## SCORING/STATS

**FRANKLIN HIGH**

No	Name	Pos	Year	First Half		Second Half		Fouls	Offsides
				Shots	Shots	Shots	Shots		
				On Goal	Off Goal	On Goal	Off Goal		
00	Lydia Ciurcovich	GK	Sr						
2	Sarah Hennessey	MF	Jr	3	1	2	2	2	1
4	Susan Tomko	D	Jr		1				
5	Lisa Anderson	D	So						
6	Gina Volk	MF	Jr		1	1			1
7	Meghan Ivey	MF	Jr	1					
8	Christine Ryan	F	Sr	1			1		
9	Codi Martin	F	Jr				2	1	1
10	Jennifer Raft	D	Sr		1				
11	Rachel Rodriguez	MF	Sr						
12	Cayla Moore	D	Sr						
13	Deb Ospina	GK/D	Sr						
15	Betsy Hennessey	F	Jr	1	1	3	2	1	2
16	Kim Tingley	F	Fr		1	1			
17	Shirmeen Ahmad	MF	So						
18	Kelly O'Shaugnessy	MF	Fr						
20	Sonia Amirzadeh	F	Jr		1		1		1
24	Louise Cyzinski	D	Sr						

**MOORE HIGH**

No	Name	Pos	Year	First Half		Second Half		Fouls	Offsides
				Shots On Goal	Shots Off Goal	Shots On Goal	Shots Off Goal		
00	Faith Solo	GK	Sr						
1	Lori Boxx	D	Jr					1	
2	Alex Morgan	MF	Jr	2					
3	Whitney Harris	F	Sr		1	2	3	2	
4	Tobin Heath	D	Sr				1	2	
5	Felicia Ortiz	D	So					1	
6	Alie Krieger	MF	Sr						
7	Carli Lloyd	MF	Sr	2	1	1			
8	Deb Sanchez	F	Jr						
9	Leda Giordano	F	Sr	1				1	
10	Becky Carlson	F	Sr						
11	Jamie Bueznaw	F	Jr	1		1	1		
12	Sam Manto	F	So	1	2	4	1		
13	Molly Clutter	F	So						
14	Ali Basso	MF	Jr						
15	Beth Schneider	D	Fr						
16	Fred Harris	MF	Sr						
17	Madi Jones	D	So						