

Soccer Match Fix-Up Answer Key

Corrected Passage

Yesterday, the soccer team **celebrated** their big victory. The coach, along with the players, **thanked** the fans for coming. Each of the players **was** excited to hold the trophy. The crowd **cheered** loudly when the captain **lifted** the trophy into the air. My friends **were** also at the game, and they **said** it was the most exciting match of the season.

Teacher Notes

- **Key Errors Fixed:**
 - *team celebrate* → *team celebrated* (singular subject "team").
 - *coach, along with players, thank* → *thanked* (main subject "coach" is singular).
 - *each of the players were* → *was* ("each" is singular).
 - *crowd cheer* → *cheered* ("crowd" as one unit is singular).
 - *captain lift* → *lifted* (singular subject "captain").
 - *friends was* → *were* (plural subject "friends").
 - *they say* → *said* (past tense to match time frame).
- This activity strengthens students' ability to **spot and correct multiple agreement errors within a passage**, which is closer to real-world editing.
- Extension idea: Ask students to **write their own 4-5 sentence passage** with intentional errors, then exchange with a partner to correct.