

LISTENING: American football and football

✓ ANSWER KEY WORKSHEET

- 1) Listen to the whole report and answer the following questions.
- 1. Which team does David support?
- a) New England Patriots
- b) Seattle Seahawks
- c) Cleveland Browns
- d) Baltimore Ravens

2. According to David, in American sports, teams...

- a) never get relegated
- b) can get relegated
- c) cannot be sold to another city

3. According to David, it is easier to be a life-long fan in American sports because...

a) fans do not have to suffer relegation or see their team in a lower league

- b) tickets to watch a match are much cheaper
- c) there isn't a huge rivalry among teams

4. The Cleveland Browns were re-named...

- a) Baltimore
- b) the Baltimore Ravens
- c) the Browns

2) Listen to the final part of the report and fill in the gaps with the appropriate word or phrase.

David: Yeah, I've noticed football, meaning soccer, teams do not move cities. The team is the team (a) for that city forever. But in America, in all sports, teams can be sold and move (b) to another city overnight. I think that's a big difference.

Damian: Are there any examples?

David: Yes, unfortunately the team my family supports the Cleveland Browns (c) from Cleveland were sold overnight and they moved to Baltimore and the Cleveland Browns were re-named the Baltimore Ravens. And Cleveland, the city, had (d) to buy a new team and they re-named them the Browns and, unfortunately, the statistics and all the winning plays and losing plays did not follow. The Cleveland Browns today started (e) over with their statistics and players and all the old... the old team is now in Baltimore and it created a huge rivalry and a lot of bad feeling (f) between the two cities.