

Football: video A

An electrifying atmosphere and a freezing night at the Gerland Stadium in Lyons. Tonight: OL, top of the French league, are playing Bordeaux.

Nat: "So you're a supporter?"

Supporter: "Yes, of course I'm a supporter."

Nat: "Of who?"

Supporter: "Of OL naturally."

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Supporter: "OL. Olympique Lyonnais."

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Nat: "In your opinion who will win?"

Children: "OL!"

Nat: "So they're good?"

Supporter: "Well obviously they're good. They're the best!"

Nat: "So they're good?"

Supporter: "Of course they're good! This year... With Gérard Houiller they're really good!"

For this very important match, the OL's coach, Gérard Houiller, has chosen a team that has Coupet as goalkeeper. And as midfielders, the Brazilian Juninho and the Malian, Diarra, with the Frenchman Sylvain Wiltord in attack.

Nat: "Who is your favourite player?"

Supporter: "Coupet, I would have to say."

Supporter: "Mamadou Diarra."

Nat: "Who?"

Supporter: "Diarra."

Nat: "And why?"

Supporter: "Because he is the foundation of the team."

Groupe: "Junhino"

Nat: "And you?"

Group: "Coupet."

Supporter: "I'd say Coupet because he is a very very good goalkeeper, I would say even the best in France!"

They say of Grégory Coupet that he is France's best goalkeeper.

Nat: "As a goalkeeper, what are the best and worst moments of a match?"

Coupet: "The worst is when an opponent scores a goal and even worse than that, it's when you have made a mistake, when you are implicated. And the best moment is when the whistle blows at the end of a match and no one has scored a goal against you."

The whistle blows for the first half-time and no goals have been scored in Coupet's net. But OL have not scored either. The journalists are none too excited.

Nat: "How is the match going?"

Journalist: "It's been a little frustrating because there haven't been any goals so far... We need to... We need to score because this is a very important match for us."

But at the second half-time, it's equally disappointing. Match result: 'Nil-nil', a nil-all draw.

Nat: "What do you think about the match?"

Coupet: "It was a bit of a dull match because it was a very tight game, a difficult game. It was also freezing cold and there was not much atmosphere."

At least OL did not lose and once again Gregory Coupet, who saved a goal, played very well.

Nat: "Apart from football, what do you play Grégory?"

Coupet: "Footie with my son, dolls' tea parties with my... My daughter. Otherwise tennis with the wife."

"Nat: "Do you like tennis?"

Coupet: "Yes a lot, yes."

Nat: "OK. Other than that, on holidays what do you play? Pétanque, cards?"

Coupet: "Volleyball, a lot of volleyball. And lots of swimming, and then mostly lounging about, lots of that!"

Supporter: "Come on OL!"