

1 Put the words in order to make sentences.

- plan / set / our / has / through / up /
a / through / to
Our plan to set up a website has fallen through.
- can't / blow / it / we / time / can / this /
we / can
..... ?
- course / German / the / has / fulfilled /
expectations / your
..... ?
- will / make / your / brother / the / it / top / to
.....
- up / don't / it / mess
.....
- overcame / problems / she / her / all
.....
- off / you / it / he'll / final / think / the / in /
do / pull
..... ?

2 Circle the correct words.

- Pete was such a talented young man, but he's not been able to fulfil / overcome his potential.
- Sadly, our captain has been unable to pull off / overcome his injury problems and will have to retire.
- Look. We can't mess this up / fulfil this. We've got to focus on what we want to do and we've got to do it right.
- It's going to be a really tough match. But we can pull it off / blow it if we work hard and believe in ourselves.
- Rafa Nadal went / made it to the top in tennis when he was very young.
- We were leading 2-0 with ten minutes to go, but we blew / messed it at the end of the match and let in three goals in five minutes.

3 Complete the football match report with the correct form of the words and phrases in the box.

size-up put it over non-stop
bitterly smashed in coolly
seal few and far between

Well, it was a magnificent game here at Anfield this afternoon. Matches between Liverpool and Manchester United are rarely disappointing. United and Liverpool spent the opening twenty minutes ¹ *sizing* each other *up* and chances were ² But after a quiet opening it was ³ action all the way. Liverpool were given a penalty in the thirtieth minute, but Luis Suarez ⁴ the bar. Just before the end of the first half, Wayne Rooney ⁵ the opener for United with a fantastic volley. Liverpool started the second half better and were given another penalty in the 52nd minute, which the United players complained ⁶ about. This time Suarez made no mistake, ⁷ putting the ball in the back of the net to equalise for Liverpool. The rest of the second half was a furious midfield battle, with neither side able to gain the upper hand. With the match looking as if it was going to end in a draw, up stepped Liverpool's inspirational captain Steven Gerrard to ⁸ the win for his team with a superb shot from the edge of the box in the 89th minute. It was a fantastic match which puts Liverpool third in the table. United remain top though and are still favourites to take the Premier League title again.