

Developing skills of Comprehension

Champions elect Shelbourne and playoff contenders Bray Wanderers played out an entertaining scoreless draw on a night of tension at Tolka Park. Shels had the first chance of the game through forward Ciaran Kilduff. The former Dundalk hitman saw his header just loop over the goal after a cross from the left by winger Karl Moore.

The Seagulls soon awoke from their early stage slumber as they grew in influence as the half progressed, the leaves falling from the trees outside the stadium a reminder of the season's end approaching. Derek Daly's free-kick was the only real moment of not to talk about as the half drew to a close, with Shels keeper Colin McCabe saving well. They continued to press in the second half and went close through Luka Lovic, albeit from long range with McCabe saving well to his right. With seconds remaining on the clock, Shelbourne had a major chance to snatch all three points, but Greg Moorehouse was unable to put his shot in the back of the net

Shelbourne: Colin McCabe; Luke Byrne, Lorcan Fitzgerald, Aidan Friel, Derek Prendergast; Ryan Brennan, Shane Farrell, Denzil Fernandes (Greg Moorehouse, 85), Karl Moore, Sean Quinn (Darragh Noone, 73); Ciarán Kilduff.

Subs not used: Conan Byrne, Dean Delany, Daniel McKenna, Alex O'Hanlon, Dayle Rooney.

Bray Wanderers: Adam Hayden; Hugh Douglas, Kilian Cantwell; Dylan McGlade, Brandon McCann (Jake Ellis, 86), John Martin, Luka Lovic, Sean Heaney, Derek Daly; Dean Williams, Joe Doyle (Phillip Gannon, 71).

Subs not used: Dylan Thornton, Gabriel Sava, Luke Nolan, Cian Maher, Darragh Gibbons.

Referee: Alan Patchell **Attendance:** 1,655.

Focusing on skills of: (a) Scanning (b) Determining Importance (c) Summarising

Recall Questions (Scanning- looking for key words)

1. Name the two teams who played.

2. Who won and by how many goals?

3. How many people watched the game?

4. Who was the referee?

Determining Importance (The main ideas of the text)

5. Underline or highlight the five most important pieces of information in the text.

Inference (reading between the lines-there is no wrong answer)

6. In which month of the year was this game played? _____

7. Why do you think this? _____

Summarising (Retelling the most important parts of the text in your own words)

8. Write a short summary of the article on another page. (Use the answers from number 5 to help you)

Extension/Additional Activities

Written- Suggest an alternative title for the piece- Why did you choose this title?

Oral Work (Incorporating Drama)- Work in pairs to 'interview' the winning and losing managers after the game. The questions may also be written down in an extra writing activity

Cross Curricular Linkage- Geography

Locate both teams' home grounds on a map and trace the route between them- look at all the counties on the route and note any towns or landmarks in each.

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