# 1. Let's play netball

### Talk about these questions.

- What are girls in the picture doing?
- Have you ever played this game?
- What other ball games do you like?

#### Read the story and answer the questions.



Violet was with Chipo, her younger sister.

"What's the matter?" asked Chipo. "Are you sad?"

"I'm not sad," said Violet. "But I do a lot of work in our home, and I'm always busy. I want to have more fun!"

"I play netball," said Chipo. "That's fun. Why don't you join us?"

"But you're eleven!" said Violet. "I'm fourteen. I'm too old to play with you."

"I play with girls of different ages," said Chipo. "Some are the same age as you."

"OK," said Violet. "I'll try it."

The next day Violet joined Chipo and her friends for netball. Violet played with one team, and Chipo played with the other team. At first Violet found it difficult to remember the rules, but then it became easier as she carried on playing.

An hour later, the score was 26 for Chipo's team and 26 for Violet's team. "Let's play until there's a winner," somebody said.

Violet was near the goal ring. Another girl threw the ball to Violet. Violet threw the ball, and it went through the ring.

"Well done, Violet!" shouted a girl in Violet's team. "We've won the match!"

#### Are the sentences about the story true or false?

- 1. Violet was with her sister.
- 2. Chipo plays netball with older girls.
- 3. Violet is eleven years old.
- 4. Violet said that she is too old to play with Chipo and Chipo's friends.
- 5. Chipo and Violet played in the same team.
- 6. They played for more than one hour.
- 7. The final score was 26 for Violet's team and 27 for Chipo's team.

## Complete the sentences with words from the story.

| 1. | I started going to school at the | of six. |
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2. When you play a sport, you must follow the \_\_\_\_\_.

3. In football, you score a \_\_\_\_\_ when you kick the ball into the

4. This is a type of \_\_\_\_\_ that you can wear on your finger.



