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“Mom, I’m going out to play soccer with Duncan!”  
Victor shouted, as he headed for the door.



“Did you make your bed?” his mom asked.

“Yes,” said Victor.

“Did you put away the dishes?” she wondered.

“Yes,” he said.

“Did you do your summer reading?” she asked.

Victor made a face. “I don’t want to,” he said.

“Duncan is waiting!”





“Fine,” said Mom. “You can play for a little while. Later you can read this book I got for you from the library.”



“It is called The Big Game,” his mom said.  
“It is about two friends who love to play soccer!”

Victor picked up the book and looked at it.  
He thought maybe he would read it later.  
Right now, his best friend was waiting to play soccer.



It's summer, and Victor would rather play than read.

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