

Yesterday I went to a soccer game with my students/friends.

It was the first soccer game I've ever been to, and to be honest, that could be the last one too.

Watching the game with friends it's fun, don't get me wrong, but the game itself it's kind of boring.

Sorry, soccer lovers.

I don't remember how many fouls there were during the game, but there were a lot.

I won't say players faked ALL of them, some fouls were real, but they did fake several ones. It was easy to tell.

I wonder if they get extra money if they succeed in pretending to be hurt.

If so, good for them.

In many cases, faking something doesn't give you a real benefit.

Let's say, for example, people who pretend to learn a language.

If you ask them, they will proudly say they are learning Spanish, English, Korean or Japanese, but if you look closer, you can tell they are not.

Studying one hour a week is not really learning a language. You will learn some things, of course, but you won't be able to speak it fluently if you only do that.

So?

You need to study and/or practice everyday, otherwise you're just like those soccer players who prefer to be lying on the ground than trying to score a goal.

Of course, in language learning there isn't a referee to sanction you if you just fake fouls instead of playing, but you will be sanctioned anyway. You will spend years thinking you are learning Spanish, only to realize you can't use it in real-life.

I don't know much about soccer, so I can't give you any advice about it; but I can help you to learn and improve your Spanish.

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P.S. Remember back in April I dislocated my shoulder while playing soccer? I think that game and I are not meant to be friends.

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