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SPORTS SKIT KIT #1

A COLLECTION OF SEVEN (SPORTS-ORIENTED) SKITS FOR JOCKS

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Basketball Bloopers

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CAST: BASKETBALL PLAYERS # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
COACH

SETTING: The five basketball players are sitting in a semi-circle, very dejected, COACH enters.

COACH: All right. It wasn't the best we've ever played so I won't pretend it was.

PLAYER 1: We were rotten, Coach. We'll probably make the *Guinness Book of World Records* for "Most Mistakes Made By A Basketball Team In One Half."

COACH: We didn't make any mistakes.

PLAYER 2: Which game was he watching?

PLAYER 3: I missed thirteen free throws.

PLAYER 1: The only basket I made was at the wrong end of the court.

PLAYER 4: While I was looking at a cheerleader, I ran into the referee.

PLAYER 2: Admit it, Coach. We made a lot of mistakes.

COACH: This team doesn't make mistakes. Those were errors in judgment.

PLAYER 1: A basket at the wrong end of the court is not a mistake?

PLAYER 2: I tripped on my shoelace and dropped the ball. Twice.

PLAYER 5: I stopped to wave at my mother and missed an open shot.

PLAYER 3: I tried for a stuff, put my hand too far through the rim and was left hanging by my elbow.

PLAYER 5: My mother wouldn't even wave back.

COACH: All right. There were quite a few errors in

1 judgment. Just forget them.
2 **PLAYER 3:** Gladly.
3 **COACH:** Put them out of your minds.
4 **PLAYER 1:** I hope my friends are putting this game out of
5 their minds.
6 **COACH:** Don't worry about your friends. This team plays
7 to please itself.
8 **PLAYER 2:** I'm not pleased.
9 **PLAYER 5:** My own mother, and she pretended she didn't
10 know me.
11 **COACH:** One half of a basketball game does not a season
12 make.
13 **PLAYER 4:** We're just lucky they don't subtract points for
14 mistakes like they do in gymnastics. We'd be the first
15 basketball team in history to have a negative score.
16 **COACH:** I don't want to hear that word again! We didn't
17 make any mistakes, only errors in judgment.
18 **PLAYER 3:** It was definitely an error in judgment when I
19 got the ball, made a fast break, was all alone under the
20 basket, and then stopped to pull up my socks.
21 **PLAYER 1:** Why didn't you shoot first?
22 **PLAYER 3:** My socks were driving me nuts. They were all
23 baggy around the ankles.
24 **COACH:** The second half will be better. All we need is a
25 positive attitude. (*Players look at each other, surprised.*)
26 **PLAYER 2:** I knew he was watching the wrong game.
27 **COACH:** We'll get 'em in the second half. Now, I want you
28 all to . . .
29 **PLAYER 4:** Coach . . .
30 **COACH:** Go out there and give it your all! (*Players look at*
31 *each other and shake their heads in amazement.*) Play
32 hard! Show 'em how good you really are!
33 **PLAYER 3:** But Coach —
34 **COACH:** No buts. No excuses! We're going to do it in the
35 second half. (*Players stand and start to walk away.*)

1 Just because the score is 143 to 17 doesn't mean we
2 can't come from behind.
3 PLAYER 1: It's too late for that.
4 COACH: It's never too late. So we were out-played in the
5 first half. That doesn't mean . . .
6 ALL PLAYERS: *(In unison) (Turn to face COACH and*
7 *shout:) Coach! (COACH stops talking.)*
8 PLAYER 3: That was the second half.
9 PLAYER 5: The game is over.
10 COACH: Oh. Well, anybody can make a mistake.
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