# High-pitched

Football's governing body, FIFA, has banned the playing of international matches at more than 2500 metres above sea level. This ruling has caused an outcry in Bolivia, in South America.

The Bolivian capital, La Paz, where their national team plays, is 3600 metres above sea level. The President of Bolivia has agreed to lead a campaign against the ban. He said he would send a high-level delegation to meet officials from FIFA.

#### A. True / False / Maybe

- 1. FAFI is football's governing body.
- 2. Football cannot be played above 2500 metres.
- 3. Bolivia cannot now take part in international football.
- 4. The members of the delegation would all be from La Paz.
- 5. La Paz is 3600 metres above sea level.
- 6. Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis, is 1343 metres (4406 feet) above sea level.

#### B. Word meanings

- A delegation is a group of people chosen to represent an organisation.
   What is relegation?
- **2.** Find words in the article with much the same meaning as each of these:

forbidden uproar consented decision

3. Put each of these words from the article into a sentence which gives it a different meaning.

body matches plays capital

## C. Hidden words

Find another word hidden inside each of these words from the article:

governing playing caused President against

### D. Spelling patterns

- **1.** Which 2 words in the article contain a silent g'?
- 2. Underline all the words in the article which contain double vowels (e.g. oa, ai, ee).

