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France win 2018 FIFA World Cup final – 17th July, 2018

Level 0

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Croatia were best early on. They looked like scoring first. However, France scored with a free kick after 18 minutes. Croatia levelled 10 minutes later with a shot from Ivan Perisic. France scored a penalty to go 3-1 up. Two more goals in six minutes put France 4-1 up. Croatia scored with 20 minutes to go, but France held on to win.

Level 1

France beat Croatia 4-2 in the World Cup final. It was an exciting end to a great tournament. France also won it in 1998. The French coach became the third man to win as a player and coach. The final had good football, controversial refereeing decisions, an own goal, a pitch invasion, and a big goalkeeping mistake. Billions of people watched on TV. France's talented team included the next world star - the speedy 19-year-old forward Kylian Mbappe.

Croatia were best early on and looked like scoring first. However, a French free kick after 18 minutes was deflected in for an own goal by a Croatia forward. Croatia levelled 10 minutes later with a shot from Ivan Perisic. France restored its lead after the referee reviewed video evidence of a handball and scored a penalty. Two goals in six minutes extended France's lead. A mistake from France's goalkeeper gave Croatia a goal, but France held on to win.

Level 2

France beat Croatia 4-2 in the World Cup final in Moscow. It was an exciting end to a very successful tournament. France also won the World Cup in 1998. French coach Didier Deschamps became the third man to win as a player and coach. The final was a great event that had good football, controversial refereeing decisions, an own goal, a pitch invasion, and a big goalkeeping mistake. Billions of people watched on TV as France slowly controlled the game. Their talented team included the next global superstar - the speedy 19-year-old forward Kylian Mbappe.

Croatia were best early on in the game and looked like scoring first. However, France got a free kick after 18 minutes which was deflected in for an own goal by Croatia's Mario Mandzukic. Croatia equalized 10 minutes later with a quality shot from Ivan Perisic. France restored its lead from the penalty spot after the referee reviewed video evidence of a handball. Two goals from Paul Pogba and Mbappe extended France's lead. An error from France goalkeeper Hugo Lloris in the 69th minute gave Croatia hope, but France held on to win.

Level 3

France beat Croatia 4-2 in the final of the FIFA World Cup in Moscow on Sunday night. It was a thrilling and high-scoring end to a hugely successful tournament. France's victory came 20 years after their very first success in 1998. French coach Didier Deschamps became only the third man to win the competition as a player and coach. The final was a true spectacle that had quality football, controversial refereeing decisions, an own goal, a pitch invasion, and a goalkeeping howler. Billions of people around the world watched as France slowly imposed their quality on the game with a team full of outstanding talent, which included the next global superstar - the explosive 19-year-old forward Kylian Mbappe.

Croatia dominated the game early on and frequently threatened to score first. However, France got a free kick after 18 minutes on the edge of Croatia's penalty area. The kick was deflected in for an own goal by the Croatian forward Mario Mandzukic. Croatia deservedly equalized with a beautiful piece of control and a quality shot from Ivan Perisic. France restored its lead from the penalty spot after the referee reviewed video evidence of a handball, which many pundits say was not handball. Two shots from outside Croatia's penalty area from Paul Pogba and Mbappe extended France's lead. An error from France goalkeeper Hugo Lloris in the 69th minute gave Croatia hope, but France held on for victory.