

Twenty Years of Hurt: 23 Mistakes and the Tale of Toma



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It was a cold night in November 2022. England had just lost to Hungary at Wembley Stadium, their fifth defeat in their last six matches. The fans were booing, and the atmosphere was one of despair. It was a far cry from the heady days of 1966, when England won the World Cup on home soil.

What had gone wrong? How had England, once one of the most feared teams in the world, become so mediocre? The answer, as this article will show, lies in a series of mistakes made by the English football authorities over the past 20 years.

The 23 Mistakes

Here are 23 of the most significant mistakes made by the English football authorities over the past 20 years:

1. **Failing to invest in youth development.** England has consistently failed to produce enough top-class young players. This is due to a number of factors, including a lack of investment in grassroots football, a poor coaching system, and a lack of opportunities for young players to play at the highest level.
2. **Appointing the wrong managers.** England have had a succession of poor managers in recent years, including Sven-Goran Eriksson, Fabio Capello, and Roy Hodgson. These managers have often failed to get the best out of their players, and have made poor tactical decisions.
3. **Picking the wrong players.** England have often picked players who are not good enough to play at international level. This is due to a number of factors, including a lack of competition for places in the team, and a tendency to select players based on their reputation rather than their form.
4. **Playing the wrong style of football.** England have often played a style of football that is not suited to their players. This is due to a number of factors, including a lack of creativity in the team, and a tendency to play too defensively.
5. **Failing to learn from their mistakes.** England have repeatedly made the same mistakes over and over again. This is due to a number of factors, including a lack of accountability, and a tendency to blame others for their failures.

These are just some of the many mistakes that have been made by the English football authorities over the past 20 years. As a result of these mistakes, England have failed to win a major tournament since 1966. They have also failed to qualify for the World Cup on two occasions, and have

been knocked out of the European Championship at the group stage on three occasions.

The Tale of Toma

Toma is a young England fan who has witnessed the team's decline from the inside. He has been to Wembley Stadium many times, and has seen the team lose to some of the worst teams in the world. He has also seen the team booed off the pitch by its own fans.

Toma is a passionate England fan, but he is also a realist. He knows that the team is not good enough to win major tournaments. He believes that the English football authorities need to make some major changes if the team is to ever be successful again.

England's football team has been in decline for over 20 years. This is due to a number of mistakes that have been made by the English football authorities. These mistakes include failing to invest in youth development, appointing the wrong managers, picking the wrong players, playing the wrong style of football, and failing to learn from their mistakes.

If England is to ever be successful again, the English football authorities need to make some major changes. They need to invest in youth development, appoint the right managers, pick the right players, play the right style of football, and learn from their mistakes.

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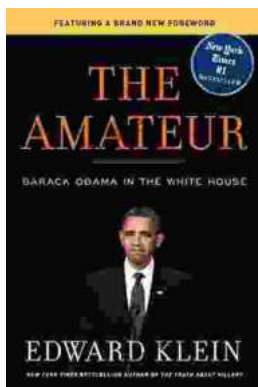
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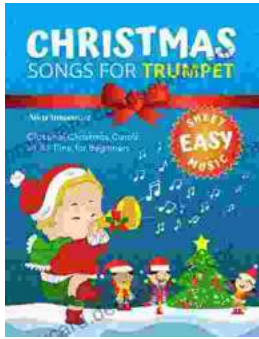
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