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It was a cold Sunday in winter, and the boy hadn't noticed the lads tie his bootlaces together on the way to the game.
So when he tripped and fell out of the builder's van that was their team bus it just made him even more determined to 'show them'.

They were good lads really, but he was new to the team and they always teased the new boy.

And when they ran out to start the game, he knew they all dreamed the same dream, the same impossible dream of one day becoming famous footballers.

In the second half, he got his chance to 'show them'.

It was perfect.
Head over the ball, balance, power, timing.
All the things his dad had told him.