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Owen Slot

1 **H**ow smart can you be during a game of rugby? Sir Clive Woodward is lauded for what has become recognised as one of the smartest changes during the 2003 World Cup quarter-final against Wales, when he brought on Mike Catt to relieve the pressure on Jonny Wilkinson.

2 In the modern game, a lot of the wisdom is being compiled on the laptops in the coaches' booths. In some sports — American football, for instance — coaches use live GPS data from their tracking systems to establish the form and workrate of their players, and often to make decisions on substitutions.

3 The England rugby team, however, do not use such real-time data during the game. "We don't look at GPS and heart rates; we haven't got time," Graham Rowntree, the forwards coach, said yesterday. England decide on how and when to use their replacements according to the coaches' experience and judgment rather than any statistical feedback.

4 On the coaches' monitors, they receive two feeds. One is real-time, the other has a 30-second delay, allowing an instant chance to review.

5 The smart work on the laptops is being done not by coaches but by the analysts working for them. England have two analysts working off two monitors, one of which is the standard BBC feed, with John Inverdale and all his chums. The other is the "wide shot" continuous feed that allows the analysts access to the live game pictures when the BBC coverage chops away for a replay.

6 The job of the analysts is to 40. If Rowntree wants to review a particular scrum, he will therefore have immediate access to it. At half-time, also, Rowntree can have access to a group of scrum clips or lineout clips to show to his players.



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- 1p 38 What is the function of the first paragraph?
- A to describe the impact of Sir Clive Woodward's choice
 - B to insinuate that experience-based coaching is outdated
 - C to introduce a discussion about the drawbacks of technology on sports
 - D to show the importance of a coach making a wise decision
- 1p 39 Geef van elke van de volgende beweringen aan of deze wel of niet overeenkomt met de inhoud van alinea 2-5.
- 1 The analysts working for the England rugby team and the American coaches use the same types of data.
 - 2 The analysts working for the England rugby team use two separate feeds of the match, one of which is without played back recordings.
- Noteer "wel" of "niet" achter elk nummer op het antwoordblad.
- 1p 40 Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 6?
- A analyse the role of the players in potentially confusing scrums
 - B clip the live game for the benefit of the coaches
 - C monitor effective communication between coach and players
 - D provide the rugby audience with live footage not broadcast by the BBC

Bronvermelding

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