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Subbuteo revival
弹指足球正在复兴



Transcript 文字稿:

Fingers at the ready! This was the football game of a generation.

But fans of *Subbuteo* **gave it the red card** when computer games arrived on the scene.

Despite this, **die-hard** fans in Asia have continued to compete and are trying to revive this **low-tech** game.

At a recent tournament in Japan, fierce battles were played out on pitches made of soft cloth, between **devotees** who think this game still **rules supreme**.

Vocabulary 词汇:

gave it the red card	不再玩此游戏
die-hard	铁杆的
low-tech	技术含量低的
devotees	爱好者，热衷者
rules supreme	占据统治地位

中文文字稿:

手指头已经准备好了！这是陪伴了一代人成长的足球游戏。

不过当电脑游戏问世后，Subbuteo（桌上弹指足球）的粉丝们也纷纷向它出示了红牌。

尽管如此，Subbuteo 在亚洲的铁杆粉丝们仍在激烈角逐此传统游戏的胜者，他们希望这个相比之下低技术含量的游戏能重新流行起来。

日前在日本举行的一个 Subbuteo 锦标赛上，此游戏的狂热爱好者在由软布做成的球场上进行了激烈的对抗角逐。他们认为这仍是世界上最好的游戏。

Watch this video online: Subbuteo revival <http://bbc.in/12fOGAi>

Exercise 练习:

以下练习中的语句全部选自于其他网页。
请从下面的词汇表里选择答案来完成句子。
注意：你可能需要改变单词的时态来完成句子。

red card/ die-hard / low-tech / devotees / rules supreme

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3. Then there is Bologna's world famous ragu, the pasta sauce known in the UK as bolognese. This is a city where meat _____.
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