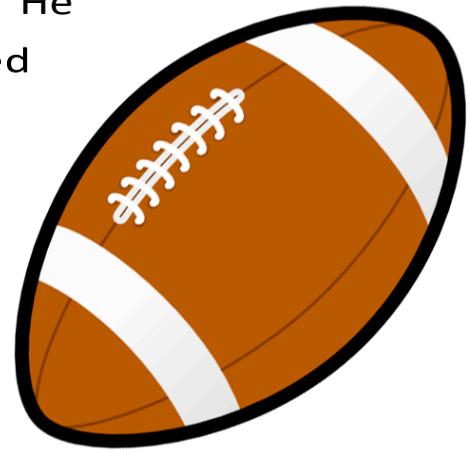


## Anthony Gets In The Game

By Daniel

Anthony was sitting in his room thinking how much fun it would be to play football. But he didn't know how to play it. Then, the doorbell rang. Anthony ran downstairs and opened the door. It was his uncle John. Anthony gave him a big hug. Uncle John was staying at Anthony's house for the weekend. Later that day, Anthony and his family ate dinner. Uncle John was talking about how he played football when he was a little kid. That gave Anthony an idea. The next day Anthony ate breakfast quickly and ran to uncle John's room. He jumped on Uncle John's bed and asked him about all the football positions and rules to know. Uncle John was upset at Anthony because he was woke him up. But he saw that Anthony was anxious to know. So he told him all the positions, rules, and even some tips.



During lunch, Anthony asked his mom if he can play football. She said yes! Anthony was really excited! So the next week, Anthony's mom signed him up to play football. The first practice, Anthony was nervous but he had fun. Anthony was calling uncle John to tell him about how much fun he was having playing football. The first game, Anthony's team was playing the Bears. Anthony's team's name was the Colts. In the first quarter, the Bears scored a touchdown. In the second quarter the colts passed it to a player and he scored a touchdown. The score was now tied 7-7. Anthony was ready to get in the game. He played linebacker and running back.

In the third quarter, the Bears scored two touchdowns. The bears were up 21-7. But that didn't stop Anthony he scored a touchdown! The next quarter, one of Anthony's friends scored a touchdown. The score was tied again 21-21. There was 10 seconds left. The Bears passed it to number 22. He started running to the end zone. Anthony was the only one who could stop him. He went for the tackle but he missed! The player was already in the end zone celebrating when Anthony got back up on his feet. The game was over! The Bears won. Anthony walked off the field with his head hanging down. When he got home he ran upstairs and went over all the rules to play football. He went back downstairs and ate dinner. The next game Anthony was confident that they would win. The Colts were going against the Jets. When the game started the coach told Anthony to sit out for some of the game. Anthony thought that it was because he missed the tackle the first game. Anthony sat out for 2 quarters. The score was 7-7. In the 3rd quarter, Anthony went in. He scored 1 touchdown! But the other team scored 2 more touchdowns. The Jets were up 21-14. The game was almost over, and the Jets had the ball. Anthony was starting to lose his confidence. The Jets ran the ball. Anthony went for the tackle. The Jets fumbled the ball! Anthony quickly got on his feet and picked the ball up! He ran to the end zone and scored! The Colts went for the two points. They made it! The game was over. The Colts won! Everybody started cheering for Anthony. After the game, Anthony walked over to his coach and asked him why he kept him out of the game. The coach said that he wanted to rest Anthony for later. Anthony was surprised that the coach was not mad at him for missing the tackle. When Anthony got home called his uncle John and told him all about the game. Anthony was a really good football player because of uncle John.