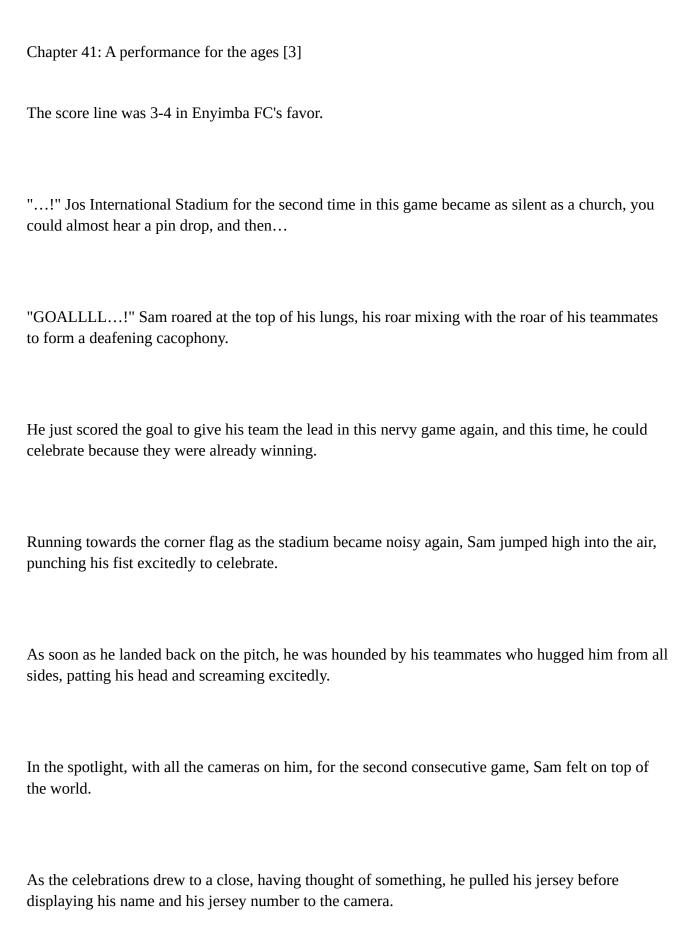
## Football God 41



His jersey number was 19. When he signed his professional contract with Enyimba FC, Mr. Moses did well to include giving his son the number 19 jersey just like young Lionel Messi in the contract terms.
Of course, taking his celebration that far drew a yellow card from the referee but Sam didn't give a damn. To him, the moment was more than worth it.
Jogging back into the pitch, the Plateau United fans could no longer boo him. By now, they already admitted defeat to this exciting teenager.
They could tell that they were bearing witness to a performance for the ages.
FWEEEE!
When the referee's whistle sounded again, the noise around the stadium rose up a crescendo again as the Plateau United fans went for one last go at trying to push their team to at least secure a draw.
In those final 2 minutes, the Plateau United players played recklessly, desperate to find a goal but led by their captain, Austin Oladapo this time, Enyimba FC defended like a unit, shutting down all channels to goal.
When the final whistle eventually sounded, disappointed Plateau United players collapsed on the pitch as the tired Enyimba FC players jubilated.
Without a doubt, this was their most exciting game of the season already.

The tension, the tough away ground, the level of their opponents, and the incredible goal-fest thriller of 7 goals, all of it was unforgettable, making this game a highlight for the Nigerian Professional Football League.
And of course, for the 2nd consecutive game, Sam managed to scoop home the man of the match award while also claiming the match ball.
This time, for the post-match interview though, Austin was not the only one going to meet the reporters due to the special circumstances today.
Since he scored a hat trick, Sam got set to face reporters for the first time in his hatchling career as a professional football player.
Austin eased his nerves. "Take it easy man, chill out. Be calm and wise, answer only questions that you are sure of their answers".
"And don't let them drag you into the trap of tricky questions. If you're unsure, just keep quiet and leave it to me, I'll do the talking".
"Yes, boss".
Austin looked at him and chuckled. "You dey whine me?" He spoke pidgin. "Today, you're the boss".





Austin grinned at her.
And with that, the post-match interview came to an end.
A grueling away match for Enyimba FC finally concluded with a hard-fought victory.