

# **FIFA World Cup Russia 2018 - England vs Panama Review**

England played their second group match on Sunday at the Nizhny Novgorod stadium. It was a match that will go down in history.

**Gareth Southgate** selected his strongest side on Sunday in a game which England came out as victors 6 - 1 over a weaker Panama side.

Talisman **Harry Kane** grabbed a hatrick for the boys in white with two for **John Stones** and one for **Jesse Lingard** in a record breaking match.

England fans are usually recognised as some of the loudest fans across the globe at the World Cup, but we were closely rivalled on Sunday by the Panamanian fans, despite being dumped out of the competition in the group stage, picking up 0 points in 2 games.

John Stones' first header was a great goal; the ball flew in from a corner as John Stones rose into the air and rifled the ball into the top corner. **1 - 0.**

By halftime, it was already **4 - 0** to England; the biggest lead at halftime in the 2018 World Cup so far.

The teams shook hands and vacated the pitch after 90 minutes, with the final scoreline being 6 -1 to England. The final result was not surprising however, as England on paper are a much stronger team; Panama have only qualified for the World Cup once in their history.

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