

**English Translation:**

Sports and Iraqi young men; the famous sport in Iraq is definitely soccer<sup>1</sup>, or football. Soccer is a very famous sport and all young men play it, from the age of five or four until youth age; sometimes they become fathers with children and you still see them playing soccer outside. Young men of a neighborhood gather and start playing. It is very beautiful and famous. Usually Iraqis watch soccer more than they practice it as a game. Iraqis watch soccer a lot. I mean we have the Italian and English leagues, very famous, very famous of course.

We don't like, as Iraqis, we don't like basketball or volleyball or swimming; we are not interested in them honestly. It is only soccer [that we care about]<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Iraqis use the term "*Toba*" for soccer. Formally called football.

<sup>2</sup> She said "*Asliya*" which means original. What they originally care about.