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Welcome to Mark's Brain

Mark had it all planned. He had control of the soccer ball and there was a clear path toward the goal through the center of the defense. He would sprint straight ahead, keeping the ball close, fake left, then kick the ball into the upper right corner of the goal. It was a simple plan, and he was sure it would work. It had worked before.

But two defenders from the other team approached him quickly from his left side. In a split second, the situation changed and Mark's plan to score a goal was no longer an option. As the defenders got closer, Mark was forced to deviate from a straight line to a diagonal path toward the right corner of the goal box. In a fraction of a moment, he had to construct a "plan B" if he wanted to score a goal.