 **Sporting PRE Soccer Readers Club Homework** 

**Featured Player:** Jimmy Nielsen Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Read this sentence from “Jimmy Nielson.”

*His autobiography, Welcome to theBlue Heaven, was released in 2013.*

In the word autobiography, the root word is graph, a verb that means “to write.” The prefix auto means “self” and bio means “connected to life.” Using this information can you write a definition for autobiography? Can you use the word in a sentence?

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1. **Text Features** help readers find information quickly in an article. A heading is one kind of text feature. Nonfiction text is often divided into sections, or smaller parts. A **heading** is a title for one of these smaller sections of text. It gives you a clue about what that part of the text will be about. Headings are shown in **bold print**. The headings in an article show how the author has organized the text. One of the headings from the Jimmy Nielson article is titled “**Persona**l.” What is this paragraph about? What would be some other good headings for this paragraph?

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1. **Career Statistics (Regular Season)**

| **Year** | **Club** | **GP** | **GS** | **MIN** | **SHT** | **SV** | **GA** | **PKG** | **PKA** | **W** | **L** | **T** |
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| 2013 | Sporting Kansas City | 25 | 25 | 2250 | 9 | 49 | 25 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 8 | 6 |
| 2012 | Sporting Kansas City | 34 | 34 | 3060 | 15 | 77 | 27 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 7 | 9 |

1. The headings that help you understand the information in each row. Which year did Sporting Kansas City have the most wins? Put a box around the answer.
2. Nielson currently has the longest active shutout streak in MLS at 519 minutes. He is in second place for the longest shutout streak. How many more minutes does he need to surpass Meola’s record?

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