

Must try harder: Stats, ratings and analysis



Rating 5
Tim Payne
 Prop, age 29
 Tackles/missed tackles: **5/0**
 Runs/metres gained: **3/0**
 Penalties conceded: **1**

- Has done himself some good in the past two games but England's scrum has work to do



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Lee Mears
 Hooker, 29
 Tackles/missed tackles: **1/0**
 Runs/metres gained: **4/1**
 Penalties conceded: **1**

- Size remains an issue in scrummaging terms but squeezes the most from himself



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Phil Vickery
 Prop, 32
 Tackles/missed tackles: **3/1**
 Runs/metres gained: **4/3**
 Penalties conceded: **0**

- How much more has he left in the tank? Wholehearted as ever but England must look ahead



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Steve Borthwick
 Lock, 29
 Tackles/missed tackles: **6/0**
 Runs/metres gained: **1/0**
 Penalties conceded: **0**

- Does the captain bear responsibility for every individual error committed by his team?



7
Delon Armitage
 Full back, 24
 Tackles/missed tackles: **5/0**
 Runs/metres gained: **3/0**
 Penalties conceded: **1**

- Far from infallible but the shining light of England's autumn and the right attitude to improvement



6
Nick Kennedy
 Lock, 26
 Tackles/missed tackles: **4/1**
 Runs/metres gained: **1/3**
 Penalties conceded: **0**

- Good effort, clean lineout ball, hard work in loose, should look forward to the new year

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7
James Haskell
 Flanker, 23
 Tackles/missed tackles: **9/1**
 Runs/metres gained: **7/19**
 Penalties conceded: **2**

- Sustained contribution marred by silly yellow card but no doubt over fitness or strength

Replacements

5 Matt Stevens
 Time for a starting place and to decide whether he has what it takes

5 Tom Rees
 Instant injection of strength spoilt by being sent to the sin-bin

5 Harry Ellis
 On a par with Care and more experience, choice to be made

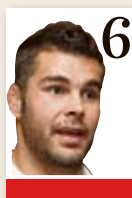
5 Dylan Hartley
 Bigger than Mears, not so accurate at the lineout

5 Tom Croft
 England cannot use his best attributes at this time



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Michael Lipman
 Flanker, 28
 Tackles/missed tackles: **6/2**
 Runs/metres gained: **0/0**
 Penalties conceded: **1**

- Good first half when New Zealand seemed human, struggled to get hands on the ball in the open



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Nick Easter
 No 8, 30
 Tackles/missed tackles: **9/0**
 Runs/metres gained: **10/49**
 Penalties conceded: **2**

- Heart of a lion, one high step more would have brought him a try, a conscientious autumn



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Paul Sackey
 Wing, 29
 Tackles/missed tackles: **3/1**
 Runs/metres gained: **6/24**
 Penalties conceded: **1**

- Unable to get into the past two games, perhaps because opponents recognise the threat he represents



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Riki Flutey
 Centre, 28
 Tackles/missed tackles: **5/2**
 Runs/metres gained: **4/9**
 Penalties conceded: **2**

- Accurate in mind, has improved at this level, has he the kicking game to nail down the place?



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Toby Flood
 Fly-half, 23
 Tackles/missed tackles: **4/0**
 Runs/metres gained: **5/17**
 Penalties conceded: **2**

- Shaped the game England wanted but now knows the cost of inaccurate kicks and high tackles



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Jamie Noon
 Centre, 29
 Tackles/missed tackles: **4/2**
 Runs/metres gained: **3/0**
 Penalties conceded: **0**

- Organised, resolute and unable to find the half-break that give his wings a chance, place under threat



5
Ugo Monye
 Wing, 25
 Tackles/missed tackles: **5/1**
 Runs/metres gained: **4/20**
 Penalties conceded: **2**

- Leaves you wanting more. Watching Joe Rokocoko and Sitiveni Sivivatu at close range should be inspiration



5
Danny Care
 Scrum-half, 21
 Tackles/missed tackles: **3/1**
 Runs/metres gained: **2/9**
 Penalties conceded: **3**

- Fortunate not to spend time in the sin-bin, forced sideways too frequently for comfort



England v New Zealand match stats

