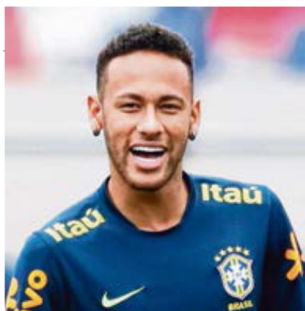


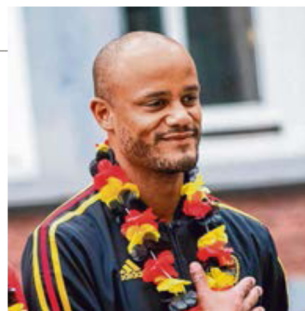
Brazil v Belgium



Key battle

Neymar v Vincent Kompany

Brazil's No. 10 is blessed with phenomenal technique to waltz his way past defenders, but his theatrics are threatening to overshadow his performances. This is something Kompany will take note of. The Belgium defender reads the game well and has the physical power to muscle Neymar out of the game.



TEAM NEWS

Manchester City's Fernandinho is likely to replace the suspended Casemiro. Marcelo and Douglas Costa have also returned to full training.

TEAM NEWS

Belgium are injury-free, but Roberto Martinez faces a selection dilemma after Nacer Chadli and Marouane Fellaini impressed against Japan.

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LAST MEETING

2002 World Cup round of 16:
Brazil 2 Belgium 0

Pundits' pick

Mark Lawrenson: Belgium's defence suspect

The way Belgium came from 2-0 down to beat Japan 3-2 in the last 16 was obviously a good thing, but I think the fact they went behind in the first place shows why they are not going to win the tournament.

Michel Sablon: Transition play must be spot on

The strongest factor for this Belgium team is their transition play. Individual excellence will make the difference in a very tough match between two good teams. Belgium have the players to do it.