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Ivan Lendl teaches victory, not tennis... he is as much of a counsellor to Andy Murray as a coach but that is exactly what he needs

Returning last month to find a superior player with a perversely inferior record, he will have cut through the many distractions and interferences that he felt were sapping Murray's energy. Sir Steven Redgrave best summed it up. 'If it's not going to make the boat go faster,' he said, 'ignore it.'

Think back to the Rugby World Cup and Stuart Lancaster's wish for England's players to walk through the Twickenham crowd before matches. The RFU loved it, so did the media. Yet what good did it really do the players? They were playing for their country, in a World Cup, at HQ. They were stoked already. They knew they were carrying the hopes of a nation. What benefit was there in confronting this, in the flesh?

Pull up, get out of the bus, get into the dressing-room, win. Keep it basic. The people would be happy enough with that. As they are with the regime implemented by Eddie Jones, another coach preaching a complex gospel of simplification.

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