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VOCABULARY

- ✓ **One-touch football:** style of football in which a team passes the ball quickly from one player to another without the need to control it more than one touch -> *jugar al primer toque*
- ✓ **The long-ball game:** style in which a team plays long balls in the hope that an attacking player will get them, flick them or score -> *jugar mediante pases largos*
- ✓ **To keep possession:** to keep the ball and prevent the opposing team from touching it. The opposite of **losing possession** or **giving the ball away** -> *tener la posesión; lo contrario de perder la posesión*
- ✓ **To be dangerous on the counter-attack:** a team that can switch quickly from defending to attacking and score goals -> *ser peligroso en el contraataque*
- ✓ **To put 11 men behind the ball:** a team that defends with all the players and it's not really interested in scoring goals -> *equipo que defiende con todos los jugadores y cuyo objetivo no es anotar tantos goles como sea posible*
- ✓ **To send the keeper the wrong way:** way in which a player can fool the goalkeeper and pretend to shoot at one side of the goal while the ball goes in another direction -> *engañar al portero*
- ✓ **A clinical finish:** a well-placed and controlled shot from a scoring position that ends in a goal -> *un gol de mucha calidad*
- ✓ **His first touch let him down:** a player was unable to control or pass the ball with his first touch and, as a result, lost precious time or even possession -> *se refiere a un jugador que no pudo controlar ni pasar el balón a la primera y, por tanto, perdió tiempo e incluso la posesión.*
- ✓ **To be strong in the air:** a team that has got a lot of tall players who can head the ball very well -> *equipo que tiene muchos jugadores altos y tienen muy buen juego aéreo*
- ✓ **To have a big physical appearance:** a team that has got a lot of physically strong players and prefers a very robust style of play -> *equipo que tiene jugadores muy corpulentos y tiene un estilo de juego fuerte*
- ✓ **The goalkeeper is quick off his line:** a goalkeeper who is fast and makes quick and correct decisions -> *portero que ejecuta sus decisiones de forma rápida y eficaz*
- ✓ **A prolific goal scorer:** a player, usually a striker, who scores a lot of goals -> *un jugador, normalmente un delantero, que es capaz de anotar muchos goles*

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