



VOCABULARY

- ✓ **50-50 CHALLENGE:** It is a tackle in which two players go for the ball at the same time; both players have the same possibility of winning the ball. -> Lucha entre dos jugadores por conseguir el balón al mismo tiempo; ambos tienen las mismas posibilidades de hacerlo.
- ✓ **INTERCEPTION:** When a player intercepts a pass, he sees where the ball is going and stops it from going there. The aim of it is to get the ball back from your opponent. -> Acto de interceptar un pase con el objetivo de recuperar la posesión del balón
- ✓ **TO TAKE THE LEAD:** One team has scored a goal and it is now beating the other team. When a team has taken the lead, they try to hold on to their lead and prevent their opponents from equalising. -> Tomar la ventaja en el marcador
- ✓ **THE TEAM TO BEAT:** Phrase that is often used to describe a team that many feel will win a title; one team in the league is particularly strong and it will be very difficult for other teams to come above them or beat them in the league. -> Un equipo fuerte que es difícil derrotar
- ✓ **A SCHOOLBOY ERROR:** Expression used to describe a very bad mistake committed by a player during a game. The mistake is so basic that it is hard to believe that a professional player could do such a thing; it is a mistake that only someone with a limited knowledge of the game would make. -> Error grave cometido por un jugador durante un partido; el error es tan básico que solo se entendería si un jugador principiante lo hubiese cometido.
- ✓ **SECOND SEASON SYNDROME:** It describes the drop in performance by a team or a player after a previous successful season. -> Describe una bajada de rendimiento en un equipo tras una temporada previa plagada de éxitos.
- ✓ **TO THUMP A TEAM:** It means that one team has beaten another team easily. -> Derrotar fácil y claramente a un equipo.

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- ✓ **TO PLAY A BLINDER:** To play really well. It usually refers to a player's performance rather than a whole team's; so we would hear, for example, that Gerrard played a blinder at the weekend but not that Liverpool had played a blinder against Everton. -> Expresión empleada para referirse, exclusivamente, al alto rendimiento de un jugador; no se utiliza para referirse al gran rendimiento de un equipo.
- ✓ **TO FILL YOUR BOOTS:** Expression used to describe when a player scores lots of goals in a game and that's maybe because the opponents are not so strong. -> Frase hecha que describe la situación en la que un jugador marca muchos goles
- ✓ **TO DIG DEEP:** This phrase involves courage and looking for extra reserves of energy. -> Sacar fuerzas de flaqueza; reunir fuerzas