

## English for football – week 7

### **To lose your job to be fired / sacked / axed / dismissed**

This week's English for Football expressions are connected to losing your job and focus on the insecurity of being a Premiership manager.

There are many words and expressions that mean losing your job, with the most common being **sacked**, **fired** and **axed**. They all have a negative meaning and suggest that the decision to leave the position (or club) was taken by the chairperson or boss. This is different from retired or resigned which mean that the person made their own decision to leave. Other negative words for **fired** include, to be **dismissed**, to be **kicked out**, to be **released**.

So, for example, this week Alan Pardew **was sacked** as West Ham's manager due to poor performances and results that have left the team in 18<sup>th</sup> position. The new chairman **fired** Pardew after the team lost 4-0 to Bolton last Sunday

LONDON -- West Ham **fired** manager Alan Pardew on Monday, two days after a 4-0 loss at Bolton left the Hammers in the relegation zone. *AP December 11th*

LONDON, Dec 11 – West Ham United **sacked** manager Alan Pardew on Monday after a poor run of results left the club third from bottom in the Premier League. *Reuters*