

Languagecaster football vocabulary list

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Captain Marvel – a special leader, someone who can perform amazing things
E.g. Roy Keene has led Sunderland to the top of the Championship. He's a Captain Marvel.

to sack – to fire, to get rid of
E.g. The chairman sacked six players and the coach after allegations of match fixing

to be beaten soundly – to be hammered, to lose by a lot of goals
E.g. West ham were beaten soundly by Sheffield United at the weekend.

to dismantle – to take apart, to destroy, to beat soundly
E.g. Manchester United dismantled Roam in the Champions' League 7-1.

to have momentum – have a good run, be in good form
E.g. Sunderland have a lot of momentum at the top of the Championship

to vye for – to compete for
E.g. There are three teams vying for the two promotion spots.

a game in hand – an extra game, when a team has played one less than their competitors
E.g. Arsenal have a game in hand over Liverpool.

a bore-draw – a very boring 0-0 game
E.g. Manchester City and Liverpool played out a bore draw at the weekend.

knock on effect – have an effect on what follows, influence the following actions
E.g. If Tottenham lose against Sevilla it will have a knock on effect on their season.

be tight at the back – have a good/strong defence
E.g. Kashiwa are very tight at the back