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Bicycle Kick

This week's English for football phrase is **bicycle kick**. Now this phrase refers to a special shot. The player volleys the ball high off the ground. Instead of heading the ball, the player jumps into the air and as he or she falls to the ground kicks the ball at head height so that the ball travels over the head and towards the goal. It is also sometimes called a **scissors kick** because the legs resemble scissors snapping shut as the ball is hit. It is a spectacular goal when it is successful, but is very difficult to do. This week, Zaki, for Wigan, and Kuyt for Liverpool both scored with **bicycle kicks**. **Bicycle kick**.