

English for Football – week 20

To be in the running

This week's English for Football phrase is the expression **to be in the running**, which usually means to have a chance of doing something, such as getting a job or winning an award. We are almost halfway through the seasons in Europe and some clubs are thinking about making managerial changes, for example, Sunderland are looking for a new manager and it seems that first team coach Ricky Sbragia has a good chance of getting the position - he is **in the running** for the job. The World Player of the Year award is soon to be handed out and it seems that Manchester United's Ronaldo **is in the running** to win this award, while his club **are in the running** to retain their Premier League title. **To be in the running.**