

English for Football – week 3

By the skin of your teeth

This week's English for football is **by the skin of your teeth**. You use this phrase when you want to say someone has escaped a disaster narrowly. They have only just avoided something bad. It implies that someone has not deserved the escape or have been lucky to escape. In the past two weeks Liverpool have won three matches in the dying minutes of the match. Most dramatically they scored on the 118th minute, 2 minutes before the end of extra time in a Champions League qualifier against Standard Liege of Belgium. They scraped into the group stages **by the skin of their teeth!**