

This week's English for football is, **'the chickens come home to roost'**. This expression is used to say that something bad has happened because of mistakes, or bad behaviour, in the past. Someone did something wrong in the past and now trouble has come, or there is a big problem. It is close to the idea of **'karma'** in many Asian religions, or the phrase, **'you reap what you sow'**. last weekend, Newcastle United were relegated from the premier league and many people think **the chickens have come home to roost**, that Newcastle's past mistakes have resulted in their failure. For example, they first hired Sam Allardyce as manager and then soon sacked him, hired Kevin Keegan and forced him to leave, and have since had two more managers this season. They also bought expensive players with big wages but with little impact on the pitch. Their actions meant that **the chickens came home to roost**.

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