

## Learn English Through Football Podcast: Vocabulary Quiz (2024) Part 1

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  - a. A screamer
  - b. A tap in
  - c. A deflection
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  - b. A gulf in play
  - c. A gulf in style
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  - a. When a smaller team defeats a bigger or more powerful team
  - b. When a big team defeats another big team
  - c. When a team defeats another team from another country
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  - b. Thrashing
  - c. Drawing

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  - b. Tottenham turned around the game with two late goals to beat Palace
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  - a. A superstar player that has been dropped to the bench
  - b. A young player that makes their debut from the bench
  - c. A player that regularly comes on from the bench and changes the game
9. If a game is 'delicately poised' it means that...
  - a. It has been cancelled
  - b. Both teams have a chance of winning
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  - a. Doing the double over a team
  - b. Doing the double
  - c. Doing doubles

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## ANSWERS

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**Answer: A blood and thunder encounter or a blood and thunder tie, is a match with a lot of passion and a lot of strong tackles, perhaps between derby rivals [[Check podcast on Thunder here](#)]**

2. How about a thunderbolt? What's another word that means the same as a thunderbolt?
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**Answer: A thunderbolt is a goal scored with a really hard shot. It is similar to a screamer or a worldie. [[Check podcast on Thunder here](#)]**

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**Answer: The result was never in doubt with Newcastle much better than their opponents; so much better in fact that we can say there was a gulf in class. A similar phrase to 'gulf in class' is the cliche 'men against boys' which again means that one team is much, much better than the other one. [[Listen to the podcast here](#)]**

4. What is meant by the expression 'giantkilling' in football?
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**Answer: Giant killing is when a smaller team defeats a bigger or more powerful team [[Listen to the podcast here](#)]**

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**Answer: To thrash a team means to easily beat them; to score lots of goals**

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**Answer: their come back from the dead performances meant they were locally known as, 'Les Revenants' – Zombies – as they could not be knocked out of the tournament!**

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**Answer: Check the post here**

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- a. A superstar player that has been dropped to the bench
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**Answer: A supersub is a player that is usually not in the first team, but often plays really well when they come on as a substitute [Listen to podcast here]**

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**Answer: Listen to the podcast here**

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**Answer: Doing the double over another team means that they have beaten that team twice in the league. Doing the double means winning both the cup and the league in the same season.**