

## languagecaster football vocabulary list

*On this page you can find explanations of words and expressions connected to football from each of the podcast shows.*

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**hooliganism** - fighting between fans of different teams  
e.g. **Hooliganism** was a real problem in the 1970s and 80s in England.

**pick of the bunch** – the best choice.  
e.g. The first of Baptista's goals against Liverpool was the **pick of the bunch** of his 4 goals.

**replay** – another match after the first game was drawn.  
e.g. Chester play Ipswich in a **replay** of the FA Cup 3<sup>rd</sup> round game next week.

**toothless attack** – non-threatening; no bite in attack, cannot score many goals  
e.g. Cardiff have not scored from 5 games due to their **toothless attack** .

**make or break** – an important time in the season.  
e.g. This month is **make or break** time for many team's chances in the league.

**rumour** - gossip  
e.g. This month there are lots of **rumours** about where players will move..

**to stay up** – to not be relegated, to stay in the same division  
e.g. I think West ham will **stay up** this season.

**wheeling and dealing** – buying and selling players  
e.g. Portsmouth's Harry Rednapp is famous for **wheeling and dealing** in the transfer market.

**retaining the title** – winning the league again  
e.g. Chelsea are trying to retain their title for the third year in a row.

**firing on all cylinders** – everyone is playing very well in the team  
e.g. Chelsea are not really **firing on all cylinders** at the moment.