

Idioms & Phrases Comments Session PDF



Pick the correct alternative.

(a) Add salt to Injury

Or

(b) Add insult to injury

Ans. (b)

Sol. Add insult to injury means to worsen an unfavourable condition.

Pick the correct alternative.

(a) Wear the shirt

Or

(b) Wear the trousers

Ans. (b)

Sol. Wear the trousers applies to a person in a relationship who dominates in decision making and choices.

Pick the correct alternative.

(a) On the ball

Or

(b) On the bat

Ans. (a)

Sol. On the ball refers to someone who understands the situation very well.

Pick the correct alternative

(a) Put wool over the other's eyes

Or

(b) Put soil over the other's eyes

Ans. (a)

Sol. Put wool over the other's eyes means to deceive them into thinking well for them.

Pick the correct alternative

(a) Steal someone's thunder

Or

(b) Steal someone's sun

Ans. (a)

Sol. Steal someone's thunder refers to a situation where someone takes the credit of the work he did not do.

Pick the correct alternative

(a) Take with a grain of wheat

Or

(b) Take with a grain of salt

Ans. (b)

Sol. Take with a grain of salt means not to take the comments from someone seriously.

Pick the correct alternative

(a) Whole Nine Yards

Or

(b) Whole Wine Yards

Ans. (a)

Sol. Whole Nine Yards refers to everything or all of it.



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Pick the correct alternative

(a) Wouldn't be caught dead

Or

(b) Wouldn't be caught alive

Ans. (a)

Sol. Wouldn't be caught dead means would never like to do something.

Pick the correct alternative

(a) To hear something straight from the Dog's mouth

or

(b) To hear something straight from the horse's mouth

Ans.(b)

Sol. To hear something straight from the horse's mouth means to hear something from the authoritative source.

Pick the correct alternative

(a) A cold day in Hell

Or

(b) A cold day in Heaven

Ans. (a)

Sol. A cold day in hell refers to the time of occurrence of an event that is impossible.

Pick the correct alternative

Duck out

or

Duck in

The idiom 'duck out' means to leave hurriedly or secretly; evade responsibility.

Pick the correct alternative

Speak Turkey

or

Talk Turkey

The idiom 'talk turkey' means to **talk** serious business; to **talk** frankly.

Pick the correct alternative

On the wagon

or

At the wagon

The idiom 'on the wagon' means to have decided not to drink any alcohol.

Pick the correct alternative

Wax and wane

or

Wane and Wain

The idiom 'wax and wane' means to increase and decrease, as in size, number, strength, or intensity.

Pick the correct alternative

Lay in tatters

or

Lay on tatters

The idiom 'lay in tatters' refers to clothes that are old and badly torn.

Pick the correct alternative

Haw and Hem



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or

Hem and Haw

The idiom 'hem and haw' means to discuss, deliberate, or contemplate rather than taking action or making up one's mind.

Pick the correct alternative

When pigs dance

or

When pigs fly

The idiom 'when pigs fly' refers to something that is highly unlikely to ever happen.

Pick the correct alternative

Make a low short sound

or

Make a high short sound

Pick the correct alternative

Let something slip through one's fingers

Let something slip through one's hands

'Let something slip through one's fingers' means to waste an opportunity to achieve something.

Pick the correct alternative

Give somebody a ring

or

Give somebody a chain

The idiom "give somebody a ring" means to call someone on the telephone.



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