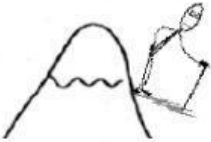
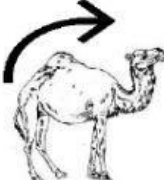
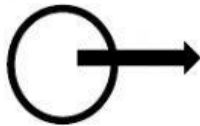


Idioms with "the"

Task One. Some fixed phrases can be formed with a prepositional phrase + the + noun. Match the idioms 1-20 with the definitions. Write the letter.

				
A. to be over the hill	T. to be on the spot	S. to be out of the question	R. to be in the red	Q. to be over the hump
	Write the letter of the correct idiom. - to be to be considered to old ____ - to be at a place where an event is happening ____ - to have a reasonable chance ____ - to be as good as the usual standard ____ - to feel ill ____ - to have the same problem ____ - to be quick to understand and react ____ - to think in the same manner ____ - to be very close to something ____ - to be extremely happy . ____ - extreme, too much ____ - to be in control of a situation ____ - to be undecided ____ - to be past a difficult situation ____ - to no longer be relevant ____ - to be in debt ____ - to be out of danger ____ - to be impossible ____ - to be unaware of the situation ____ - without warning, unexpectedly ____			
B. to be in the same boat				P. to be under the weather
				
C. to be in the running				O. to be out of the loop
				
D. to be on the edge of				N. to be over the moon
				
E. to be up to the mark				M. to be on the ball
				
F. to be out of the woods				L. to be up in the air
				
G. to be on the same page	H. to be out of the blue	I. to be over the top	J. to be out of the picture	K. to be in the driver's seat

Task Two. Read the sentences and choose the correct idiom.

- 1 The news was a shock. It was just _____.
a. in the red b. out of the blue
- 2 I'm sorry but buying a new car is just _____.
a. out of the question b. over the hump
- 3 Our company is _____ and my go bankrupt.
a. in the red b. under the weather
- 4 We don't know where we'll go on vacation. It's still _____.
a. out of the picture b. up in the air
5. I like being the boss and _____.
a. out of the woods b in the driver's seat
- 6 I'm sorry but your report is not _____. Please do it over.
a. over the hill b. up to the mark
- 7 The school year is almost over. We are definitely _____.
a. over the hump b. on the same page
- 8 Look at that big green bowtie. Don't you think it's a little _____?
a. up in the air b. over the top
- 9 We can't hire that person after all. It's _____ now.
a. out of the picture b. on the spot
10. Don't you think you are a little _____ to be playing video games?
a. up to the mark b. over the hill
- 11 To get tickets to the event, you need to be _____.
a. out of the question b. on the spot
- 12 I like the new assistant. She's really _____.
a. on the ball b. up in the air

- 13 John won't be coming today. He's a little _____
a. under the weather b. out of the woods
14. My boss and I can never agree. We are definitely not _____
a. out of the blue b. on the same page
- 15 When they won the award, they were _____
a. over the moon b. out of the loop
16. We are _____ of making a lot of money.
a. on the edge b. out of the woods
17. She is _____ for a grammy award.
a. in the running b. over the hump
18. You lost your phone, too? We're _____
a. on the edge of b. in the same boat
19. I was absent for a week and now I feel _____
a. out of the loop b in the running
20. Things are better but we are not _____ yet.
a. under the weather b. out of the woods

Task Three. Ask and answer these questions with your partner.

1. Is your work always up to the mark?
2. Are you often on the same page with your parents?
3. When was the last time you were under the weather.
4. Do you insist on being in the driver's seat?
5. Do you have definite plans for the future or are things still up in the air?