A. effort **B.** hours **C.** time **D.** work

1073. The store is having a fire _____sale to get rid of old stock.

A. money **B.** cash **C.** price **D.** clearance

1074. He's in the hole and deep in _____after taking out multiple loans.

A. money **B.** debt **C.** trouble **D.** finance

1075. She invested in stocks to _____the market.

A. play **B.** test **C.** beat **D.** follow

1076. He's been working around the clock to meet the deadline. He's going to _____.

A. hit the books **B.** burn out **C.** bite the bullet **D.** face the music

1077. I didn't understand the joke at first, but then it suddenly _____.

A. hit me **B.** broke the ice

C. let the cat out of the bag **D.** went out on a limb

1078. He was extremely nervous, but once he started talking, he _____.

A. took a rain check **B.** hit the nail on the head **C.** broke the ice **D.** jumped the gun

1079. Don't take his words too seriously. He said that _____.

A. in cold blood **B.** in the heat of the moment **C.** out of the blue **D.** off the record

1080. I'm feeling a little under the weather today, so I'll _____the meeting.

A. call off **B.** blow off steam **C.** keep at bay **D.** go for broke

1081. I was just about to quit when help arrived _____.

A. by the book **B.** in the nick of time **C.** through thick and thin **D.** on thin ice

1082. She had to _____and accept the criticism from her boss.

A. bite the bullet **B.** cut corners **C.** take it with a grain of salt **D.** spill the beans

1083. I can't believe he passed the exam without studying. He just _____.

A. killed two birds with one stone **B.** burned the midnight oil

C. got away with murder **D.** beat around the bush

1084. When he heard the bad news, he tried to _____but you could tell he was upset.

A. keep a straight face **B.** spill the beans **C.** pull someone's leg **D.** hit the nail on the head

1085. Let's not _____about this decision. We need to act fast.

A. pull the wool over someone's eyes **B.** beat around the bush

C. hit the sack **D.** blow off steam

1086. My friend is a real _____; she always helps others when they are in need.

A. apple of my eye **B.** ballpark figure **C.** eager beaver **D.** loose cannon

1087. Don't worry about making a mistake. Every cloud has a _____.

A. golden lining **B.** silver lining **C.** bronze lining **D.** dark lining

1088. It's time to _____and start preparing for the big event.

A. pull out all the stops **B.** hit the books **C.** hit the road **D.** jump the gun

1089. She _____about the party; now it's not a surprise anymore.

A. let sleeping dogs lie **B.** spilled the beans **C.** hit the roof **D.**

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