

## **Idioms**

1. Michael is the only senior student in our selected group for the student math competition. He's a head and shoulders above the other students.
  - A. higher rank than others
  - B. on top of others
  - C. the best among others
  - D. much taller than others
  - E. much better than others
2. Bill is studying engineering in our department. He can do sculpting, carving, a bit of pottery – he's a jack of all trades.
  - A. having many skills and abilities
  - B. doing different jobs at the same time
  - C. being successful in business
  - D. making lots of money
  - E. having artistic ability
3. John would like to have a car like mine. He had set his heart on my car, but he was unhappy that I sold it.
  - A. fond of something
  - B. fall in love with something
  - C. really want something
  - D. really love technology
  - E. really like vehicles
4. Since the students won the competition they have been in seventh heaven. Their long-time wish was fulfilled.
  - A. To be included in a higher rank
  - B. To get a big prize
  - C. To be extremely smart
  - D. To get good reputation
  - E. To be extremely happy
5. My brother wasn't being that serious. He was just pulling your leg. He just wanted you to be relaxed.
  - A. To laugh at
  - B. To tell a lie
  - C. To tell the truth
  - D. To play a joke
  - E. To tell stupid stories
6. Andrew is quite old, but he's still as sharp as a tack in his work and life. He finds easy solutions to difficult problems.
  - A. To be very skillful
  - B. To be very sharp eyed
  - C. To be very intelligent
  - D. To be very curious
  - E. To be very straightforward
7. He's up to his ears in work and cannot possibly see you now.
  - A. associated with
  - B. very interested in
  - C. not involved with
  - D. concerned with
  - E. fully occupied with
8. Their mother always describes her twin sons as like two peas in a pod.
  - A. both round in shape
  - B. both saying the same thing
  - C. both full of fun
  - D. both looking exactly alike
  - E. both like cooking peas
9. I was turning into the left lane when a car came out of nowhere and hit me.
  - A. stopped right in front of me
  - B. spun over
  - C. suddenly appeared
  - D. fell off a truck
  - E. broke down
10. You remember I told you about that car that cost me an arm and a leg?
  - A. a fair amount of money
  - B. a small amount of money
  - C. a good amount of money
  - D. a huge amount of money
  - E. a short amount of money
11. **Let the cat out of the bag**
  - A. to accidentally reveal a secret
  - B. to lose something very valuable situation
  - C. to allow a cat run out of the bag
  - D. to accidentally lose an animal from a box
  - E. to help someone escape from a difficult situation
12. What does it mean if you say something 'tongue in cheek'?

- A. You are lying.
- B. You have a very big mouth
- C. You're very hungry
- D. You are joking, even though you might appear to be serious.
- E. What you are saying is a secret, and you don't expect the other person to tell

**13. Bite the bullet**

- A. to feel very hungry
- B. to make someone angry
- C. to swallow very hot thing
- D. to suddenly find yourself in a dangerous situation
- E. to force yourself to do something unpleasant or difficult

**14. I'd gladly loan you the money, but I can't because I'm flat broke.**

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| A. have a trouble renting a flat | D. have no money at all   |
| B. have a debt to pay            | E. get a loan from a bank |
| C. renovate a house              |                           |

**15. It has been raining cats and dogs all day.**

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| A. rain with cats and dogs | D. dogs chase cats all day    |
| B. animals appear          | E. cats always afraid of dogs |
| C. rain heavily            |                               |