



Extra training

Idioms Task 311

1. Complete the idioms with **TALK** or **SPEAK** in the correct form.

1. Don't _____ back to your teachers.
2. Watch out for her, she _____ with a forked tongue.
3. My dad and I just don't seem to _____ the same language.
4. Jack always _____ in riddles and never says what he means.
5. Why do I feel like I'm _____ to the wall!
6. They say that money _____, but friendship lasts.
7. Jane likes to _____ her mind.
8. _____ of the devil, Dave we were just talking about you.
9. It's no use trying to sweet _____ me, I won't change my mind.
10. I think that actions _____ louder than words.

2. Substitute the phrase in **bold GREEN italics** for an idiom from the list with the same meaning.

Drag it **ABOVE** the bold green one.

face the music **putting a brace****face on it** **let's face it** **all fingers and thumbs**
is staring you in the face **keep your fingers crossed**
put my finger on it **has got a finger in every pie**

11. Rob is very worried about his wife's condition, but for the sake of the children, he's **pretending nothing is seriously wrong**.
12. I know that selling the house will be a hard blow to us all, but **let's be truthful**, we need the money.
13. Surely you can see what he wants. It **is very obvious**. He's going to ask you to marry him!
14. Well, Paul, it was your fault and you'll have to **meet the criticism and unpleasantness** some time. So why not now?
15. I'm going for an important interview this afternoon at three, so **wish me luck**!
16. Chaplin **is involved in many activities**. He's on every local committee you can mention.
17. Oh, I'm so sorry. I've dropped all your books. I'm **clumsy with my hands** today, I'm afraid.
18. There's something about the way Bob looks at me that makes me feel uneasy, but I can't **identify it**.