



# 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 braceface 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*.