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IDIOMS

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Idiom 91

A slow day

Meaning



*It was **a slow day** at the store. There were only 2 customers all day long!*



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Drag the meanings

1. people moving slowly

2. not much happening especially in a shop

3. a holiday with nothing to do

Idiom 92

Meaning



Sluggish



*After a heavy meal, everyone was feeling so **sluggish** that they could barely move a limb.*



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Drag the meanings

1. lacking energy, very lazy

2. satiated

3. hungry for more

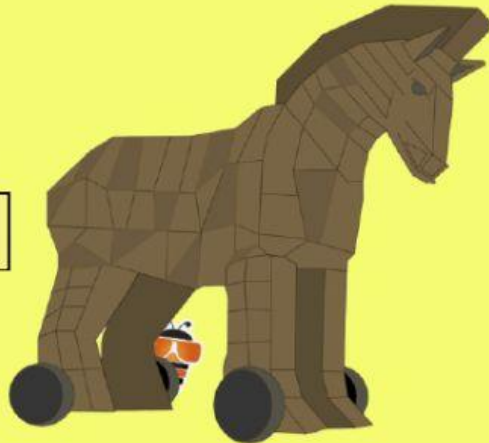
Idiom 93

A trojan horse

Meaning



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Drag the meanings

1. something that is not likely to happen

2. something harmful made to look helpful

3. something hard but easy to do

*Don't click that link. It may look helpful but it is probably **a trojan horse** sent by some hacker hoping to gain access to your computer.*

Idiom 94

Above board

Meaning



*I happily signed the contract because everything was perfectly legal and **above board**.*



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1. fair, honest and straightforward

2. complicated

3. filled with lies

Idiom 95

Above the law

Meaning



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- Rich people often behave as if they are **above the law**, because they can hire the best lawyers.
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- Don't act like you are **above the law**. Everyone has to be accountable to the law.

Drag the meanings

1. follow the rules

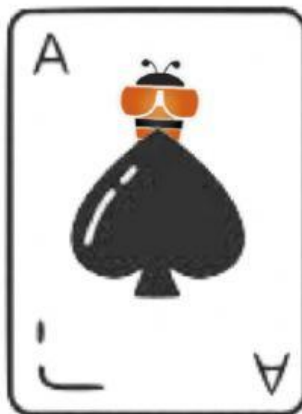
2. to be special enough to not need to obey rules

3. a righteous person

Idiom 96

Ace in the hole

Meaning



His embarrassing secret is my **ace in the hole**, and I plan to reveal it to everyone the next time he mocks me publicly.



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1. to be unhappy over something that cannot be changed

2. Tell a secret

3. secret advantage

Idiom 97

Ace up your sleeve



Meaning

The mayor's popularity among elderly voters gives him an **ace up his sleeve** for the coming election.



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Drag the meanings

1. to be in love

2. be lucky

3. have secret information that gives you higher chances to win

Idiom 98

Add fuel to the fire

His parents were already angry when he flunked the class. When they learnt he had also played truant, it only **added fuel** to the flames.



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Meaning

Drag the meanings

1. make a bad situation worse

2. make a bad situation better

3. to heal someone from a fire wound

Idiom 99

Ahead of the game

Meaning



By preparing for his examinations early, John was ***ahead of the game***.



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1. finish first

2. to impress someone or a group of people

3. to have an advantage because you prepared early

Idiom 100

Turn the air blue

Meaning

The moment the bratty girl learned that she was not invited to the party, she ***turned the air blue!***



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Drag the meanings

1. talking politely

2. blue sky

3. saying bad words

Idiom 101

All eyes

Meaning



The class were all eyes when the teacher showed them a magic trick.



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Drag the meanings

1. very eager to see something

2. have unrealistic dreams

3. someone with good eyesight

Idiom 102

Lost his/her marbles

Meaning

Seeing Jenkins in a state of delirium running around the street, it was clear that he had lost his marbles.



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Drag the meanings

1. become insane / crazy

2. lose something valuable

3. genius

Idiom 103

All in the same boat

Meaning

Joe said that he hated his job, to which Bill retorted that they were **all in the same boat**.



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Drag the meanings

1. asking the wrong person for something or looking for something in the wrong place

2. Look for something everywhere

3. everyone is in the same situation

Idiom 104

All set

Meaning

After packing all the fishing gear, Tina was **all set** for the picnic trip.



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1. prepared

2. upset

3. a short nap