

C1. TOPIC 3: RELATIONSHIPS – Worksheet 3: Family – Roles in the Family: Idioms Match-up



Match the idioms 1-8 with their meanings (A-H)

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| 1. The apple doesn't fall far from the tree.
He's a chip off the old block.
It runs in the family.
He takes after his mother.
Birds of a feather flock together. | A The rest of the family like him. |
| 2. They're my own flesh and blood. | B Children are similar to their parents. |
| 3. She rules the roost.
She wears the trousers in our house. | C He likes spending time with his family. |
| 4. He's a family man. | D Religion unites a family. |
| 5. There is bad blood between them.
They hate each other's guts
They are at each other's throats
They fight like cat and dog. | E The rest of the family don't like him. |
| 6. He's the apple of their eye.
He's their blue-eyed boy. | F She's the boss. |
| 7. He's the black sheep of the family. | G We're related. |
| 8. The family that prays together stays together. | H The family members fight/ argue/ aren't happy with each other. |

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| 1. Blood is thicker than water.
Families stay together through thick and thin. | A. The sadness experienced by a parent when their children leave home. |
| 2. Empty nest syndrome | B. Family members take priority over other people. / Family members support each other. |
| 3. Tie the knot.
Get hitched. | C. A family who get on well and see each other a lot. |
| 4. You can choose your friends but you can't choose your family. | D. Get married. |
| 5. Cut the apron strings. | E. A couple who are perfect for each other. |
| 6. The sins of the father shall be visited upon the son. | F. You have to accept the family that you have. |
| 7. A close-knit family | G. To become independent from your mother. |
| 8. a match made in heaven | H. Children often suffer because of their parents' mistakes. |