IDIOMS

2A Match the phrases and idioms in bold with pictures A–H.

1 The boss completely **lost his head** and started shouting at the client. A f)
2 Could you **catch** the waiter's **eye?** I'd like to ask for the bill. __ __
3 The job hunting isn't going well, but **if I can get my foot in the door** things will be fine. __ __
4 I can't afford this mobile – it **costs an arm and a leg.** __ __
5 I don't really mind paying taxes, **but filling out these forms is a pain in the neck.** __ __
6 **He's got a big mouth** – he told everyone in the office about my problems at home. __ __
7 Sorry, we just don't **see eye to eye** on this, and I don't think we'll ever agree. __ __
8 The teacher **turned a blind eye to** cheating in the exam, so almost all the students did it. __ __

B Match meanings a)–h) to the phrases and idioms.

a) have the same opinion
b) get someone's attention
c) be very annoying
d) get a chance to start
e) be very expensive
f) be unable to think clearly under pressure
g) ignore a bad thing
h) be someone who tells secrets



Match the idioms with their meaning.

1. We were **pressed for time**.	
2. We had to **cut it short**.	
3. He's **biding his time**.	
4. She arrived **in the nick of time**.	
5. It happens **once in a blue moon**.	
6. I've tried **time after time**.	
7. We had to **make up for lost time**.	
8. They're **dragging their feet** on a decision.	

a) Delay doing something
b) Not to have enough time.
c) Stop doing something earlier than you had planned.
d) At the last moment before it's too late to do something.
e) Very rarely.
f) To do something quickly because you started late or worked too slowly.
g) Again and again.
h) To wait until the right time to do something.

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