

Complete sentences 1-10 with the idiomatic expressions from the box below.
You may need to make some changes to the expressions.

Set 1

1) He left the party after seeing her with another guy. He must have got _____.
2) The opposing team is ruthless. They don't stand _____ _____ of winning.
3) The politician was the victim of a congressional _____.
4) They will demolish this house _____!
5) Come on, _____, close your eyes. There's nothing under the bed.
6) I heard an eerie sound which _____.
7) Of course I don't support tobacco companies - I was just _____ _____.
8) What happened to Greta? I saw her leave _____.
9) I can't climb. I'm _____ of heights.
10) You know I'm _____. I'm much more productive at night.

- a witch hunt
- to play the devil's advocate
- to be scared stiff
- the green-eyed monster
- scaredy-cat
- over my dead body
- a night owl
- not a ghost of a chance
- to make someone's blood run cold
- like a bat out of hell



Complete sentences 11-18 with the idiomatic expressions from the box below.
You may need to make some changes to the expressions.

Set 2

11) Hearing such false accusations and not being able to defend myself _____.
12) You really _____ when you described her writing as insipid.
13) I was so nervous before the dancing debut that I was _____ _____.
14) I want to go back before midnight. I'm not superstitious, but I don't fancy being in the forest by _____.
15) He _____ when he was found sleeping in the office.
16) I don't mind _____. It's actually pretty quiet at that time and there isn't much to do.
17) With many factories closing down and people moving away, the city is becoming _____.
18) Shawn can't have committed such an awful crime. He's a sweet boy who _____.

- a ghost town
- to dig one's own grave
- to shake like a leaf
- the witching hour
- to work the graveyard shift
- to put/stick a knife into someone
- to make someone's blood boil
- someone wouldn't say boo to a goose



KEY

1) He left the party after seeing her with another guy. He must have got the green-eyed monster.
2) The opposing team is ruthless. They don't stand a ghost of a chance of winning.
3) The politician was the victim of a congressional witch hunt.
4) They will demolish this house over my dead body!
5) Come on, scaredy-cat, close your eyes. There's nothing under the bed.
6) I heard an eerie sound which made my blood run cold.
7) Of course I don't support tobacco companies - I was just playing the devil's advocate.
8) What happened to Greta? I saw her leave like a bat out of hell.
9) I can't climb. I'm scared stiff of heights.
10) You know I'm a night owl. I'm much more productive at night.
11) Hearing such false accusations and not being able to defend myself made my blood boil.
12) You really put a knife into her when you described her writing as insipid.
13) I was so nervous before the dancing debut that I was shaking like a leaf.
14) I want to go back before midnight. I'm not superstitious, but I don't fancy being in the forest by the witching hour.
15) He dug his own grave when he was found sleeping in the office.
16) I don't mind working the graveyard shift. It's actually pretty quiet at that time and there isn't much to do.
17) With many factories closing down and people moving away, the city is becoming a ghost town.
18) Shawn can't have committed such an awful crime. He's a sweet boy who wouldn't say boo to a goose.

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