# Exercises

**9.1** **Try to complete these idioms from memory if possible.**

1 She does a lot of voluntary work; she has a heart … *of gold.*
2 Don't expect any sympathy from the boss; she's as hard …
3 I'm sure Ahmed will help you; he's as good …
4 Although Florian sometimes seems a bit bad-tempered his heart is …
5 I don't think you'll like him; he's a nasty …
6 I try to avoid having much to do with Liam. He's rather an …

**9.2** **What do we call …**

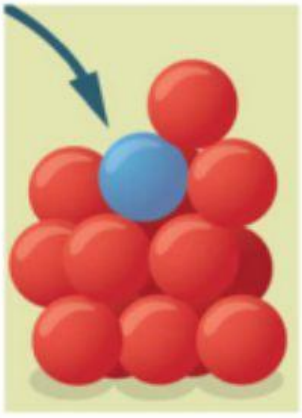
1 an irritating person who knows everything? *a know-all*
2 the person who is the teacher's favourite?
3 someone who thinks they are the best and says so?
4 the one who gets the best marks?
5 a person who is very lazy?

**9.3** **Complete the sentences using an idiom from B.**

1 I'd better write it in my notebook. I have … *a head like a sieve.*
2 Ask Martha to check those sums. She has …
3 Don't ask me to go up that tower. I'm afraid I don't …
4 She's very sensible and knows what she's doing. She …
5 He's quite out of touch with reality. He really …
6 The problem won't go away so there's no point …
7 Max is top of the class, … everyone else.
8 Even when others around him are panicking Raul always …

**9.4** **Which part of the body might a difficult person (a) get on (b) be a pain in?**

**9.5** **Which of the idioms opposite do you think these pictures represent?**






1 *an odd-ball* 2 3 4

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