



wash hands of

Definition

If you wash your hands of something that you were previously responsible for, you intentionally stop being involved in it or connected with it in any way:

Origin

This phrase has been originally referred to the biblical description of Pontius Pilate, who, when he was forced to convict Jesus to death, sent for a bowl of water and as a ritual washed his hands before the people as an indication that he was innocent of 'this just person'

We wash hands of each other.

She couldn't wait to wash her hands of the whole project.

1. Think of your own examples.

2. Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions, use the idiom.

3. Have you heard any other idioms in the episode?