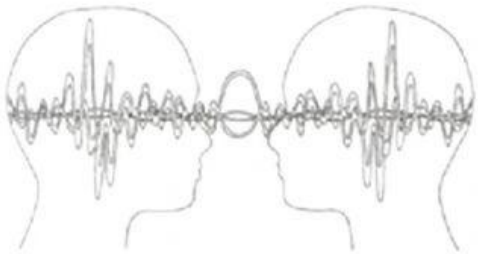
Science & technology - idioms

A. Match the idioms to their meanings.

1. Blow a fuse
2. Get / have our wires crossed
3. Not rocket science
4. On the same wavelength
5. Re-invent the wheel
6. Up and running
7. Hit the panic button



1	2	3	4	5	6	7

a) Ready to use
b) To react rapidly or by taking emergency precautions.
c) To get angry
d) To think similarly or to have the same ideas and opinions.
e) Something is easy to understand or do
f) To waste time doing something that has already been done effectively
g) To misunderstand someone

B. Choose idioms from exercise 1 and place them in the sentences below. Put the verb in the correct tense where necessary.

1. I dropped Bettina's phone today. She _____ and yelled at me.
2. After a good service, my car is finally _____ again.
3. All you have to do is connect the red wire to the green one! It's _____.
4. My friend and I agreed to meet at seven o'clock but he showed up at eight. We must have _____.
5. Calm down! It's just a fly. There's no need to _____
6. I'm so confused. My teacher and I _____.