Body and soul – idioms

1 Choose from the idioms below to complete the following sentences. Pay attention to the correct form (pronouns, too!).

all ears pull one's leg make one's mouth water hot on one's heels
more to it than it meets the eye get sth off one's chest right arm
eyes bigger than stomach keep on one's toes weak at the knees
cold shoulder in the neck of the woods put heads together
no skin off one's nose stand on one's own two feet

1 The smell of onions frying really _____.

2 When the teacher said she had some exciting news to tell us, we were _____.

3 I don't care if he leaves or stays – it's no _____.

4 He says he broke his arm faling out of bed, but I think there's _____.

5 I'm sure we can think of a present for Mark if we _____.

6 I was very surprised to see him here. We don't get many visitors __ _____.

7 If you're feeling worried or upset, you should talk to someone and _____ it _____.

8 Why are you giving me the _____?

9 I'd give my _____ for the opportunity to study aroad for a year.

10 Can't you finish all your food, Billy? Your _____ were _____ your _____.

11 His parents want him to become more independent and learn to _____his _____.

12 He ran as fast as he could, with the angry shopkeeper _____his_____.

13 He didn't really mean what he said. I think he was just _____your _____.

14 The teacher does tests without warning, just to _____ the class _____ their _____.

15 The thought of having to giving a speech made him go _____the_____.

2 Each of the following sentences contains an idiom with a mistake in it. Find it and correct it.

1 I nearly jumped out my skin when the alarm went off.

2 If she loses any more weight she'll be just bones and skin.

3 I had to bite my tongue off and keep quiet about what really happened.

4 He seems the ideal candidate, but does he have any skeletons in the cellar?

5 He was lucky – he passed the exam by the skin off his tooth.

6 She may be over sixty, but she's still young at her heart.

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7 Keep your hairs on! It's not time to leave yet.

8 I asked him to lend me the money, but it was like trying to get blood out of a bone.

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