

# IDIOMS

IDIOMS are not to be taken literally. Study their meaning and then complete the sentences. You may need to make some changes.

a) I have to tell you something that will \_\_\_\_\_.

b) He \_\_\_\_\_  
when he accidentally told her about the surprise party.

c) Okay, I'll tell you what I'm going to do, although you'll probably think that I have \_\_\_\_\_.

d) I'm \_\_\_\_\_  
with my teacher because she caught me cheating in the test.

e) I'd better \_\_\_\_\_  
now. I'm feeling really exhausted.

f) He is so cute that when he looks at me I get \_\_\_\_\_.

g) We're all packed and ready to go - we can leave \_\_\_\_\_.

h) I am feeling a bit \_\_\_\_\_  
- I think I'm getting a cold.

i) Is Samantha really getting married or are you just \_\_\_\_\_?

j) Was your Math exam hard? - No, it was really \_\_\_\_\_.

k) My friend got \_\_\_\_\_  
and decided not to do a bungee jump.

l) Just \_\_\_\_\_!  
Let's think about this for a moment.

m) Tell me who was at the party. I am \_\_\_\_\_.

n) If you try to please both your father and mother, you can end up \_\_\_\_\_.

o) I don't know how you could afford this sports car. It must have \_\_\_\_\_.



**in hot water**

- to be in difficulties, especially in serious trouble



**hold your horses**

- to wait / slow down / consider things carefully



**let the cat out of the bag**

- to reveal a secret, usually unintentionally



**pull one's leg**

- to play a joke, tease, trick someone in a friendly way



**hit the sack**



**butterflies in one's stomach**

- to be very nervous and anxious



**a piece of cake**

- something very easy to do



**at the drop of a hat**

- immediately, without any delay or hesitation



**caught between two stools**

- to be unable to choose between two alternatives



**all ears**

- to be eager to hear / listen attentively



**under the weather**

- to be or feel ill / sad or lack energy



**knock one's socks off**

- to delight, thrill, amaze / impress



**cost an arm and a leg**

- to be very expensive



**lose one's marbles**

- to act in a crazy or strange way



**cold feet**

- to lose courage to do something you had

