Money Idioms

Exercise 1: Look at the idioms in bold in sentences 1 – 22, and decide if the people:

(A) have a lot of money.
(B) have very little or no money.

1. Steve is **up to his ears in debt**.
2. Kevin is **on the dole**.
3. Jamie has **made his pile**.
4. Sue **can't make ends meet**.
5. Jacqueline is **stinking rich**.
6. Mark's boss **pays him chickenfeed**.
7. Tarquin is **loaded**.
8. Laurence is **hard up**.
9. Christine is **well off**.
10. Brenda is **in the red**.
11. John is **strapped for cash**.
12. Mike is **made of money**.
13. Don is **penniless**.
14. Judy has **money to burn**.
15. Pete is **broke**.
16. Tim has **more money than sense**.
17. Alison is **rolling in it**.
18. Bob is **skint**.
19. Andy is **down and out**.
20. Jeanette is **feeling flush**.
21. Charles is **raking it in**.
22. Annabel is a bit **down-at-heel**.

Exercise 2: Look at the idioms in **bold** in sentences 23 – 38, and decide if the people:

(A) have paid a lot of money for something.
(B) have paid a small amount of money for something.

23. The shop sold us our hi-fi for a **rock-bottom price**.
24. A pizza and a glass of wine cost us £10. It was **daylight robbery**.
25. We paid **next to nothing** for the holiday.
26. It **cost** us **the earth** to get our car repaired.
27. It **didn't break the bank** to travel business class to New York.
28. I paid £6 for a hot dog and a Coke. What **a rip-off**!
29. My new car cost me a **packet**.
30. It **cost us an arm and a leg** to change our flight times.
31. We paid **a tidy sum** for our new computer.
32. The rent on my house is a bit **steep**.
33. How much was my new camera? Well, it **didn't come cheap**.
34. The restaurant served excellent food, **at a price**.
35. This suit **set me back** a bit.
36. This home cinema system was **going for a song**.
37. We had an excellent meal, and it was **dirt cheap**.
38. I paid **good money** to stay in this hotel.

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