



# It's time for proverbs!

English has many proverbs - and native speakers use them often! Let's discover some of the most common ones.

## What's a proverb?

Proverbs are short sayings that express some traditionally held truth. Did you know the most commonly used words in English proverbs are 'good' and 'never'?

Here are five common English proverbs. Match the proverb (1-5) with its meaning (A-E):

- 1 ☐ Absence makes the heart grow fonder
- 2 ☐ Actions speak louder than words
- 3 ☐ A picture is worth a thousand words
- 4 ☐ Better late than never
- 5 ☐ Don't count your chickens before they hatch

- A. What you do is more important than what you say.
- B. It's better to finish something late than to never do it at all.
- C. Don't expect a positive result before you actually see it.
- D. An image can tell a story better than words.
- E. Being away from someone or something for a period of time makes you appreciate that person or thing more when you see them or it again.

