

# READING TASKS

## WHY IDIOMS MATTER

Learning English involves more than just memorizing vocabulary and grammar rules. To achieve true fluency, students must understand idiomatic expressions. These are phrases where the meaning cannot be deduced from the individual words. For example, if someone says a task is a "**piece of cake**," they mean it is very easy, not that it involves dessert.

Using idioms makes communication sound more natural and "native-like." However, they can be challenging because they are deeply rooted in culture. For instance, the expression "**to let the cat out of the bag**" means to reveal a secret by mistake. Practicing these through technology helps students visualize and internalize these abstract meanings effectively.

### 1) Learning English What is the main challenge of idiomatic expressions?

- a) They are too long.
- b) The meaning isn't literal.
- c) They are only used in books.

### 2) What does "piece of cake" refer to in the text?

- a) A cooking lesson.
- b) A difficult challenge.
- c) Something very easy.

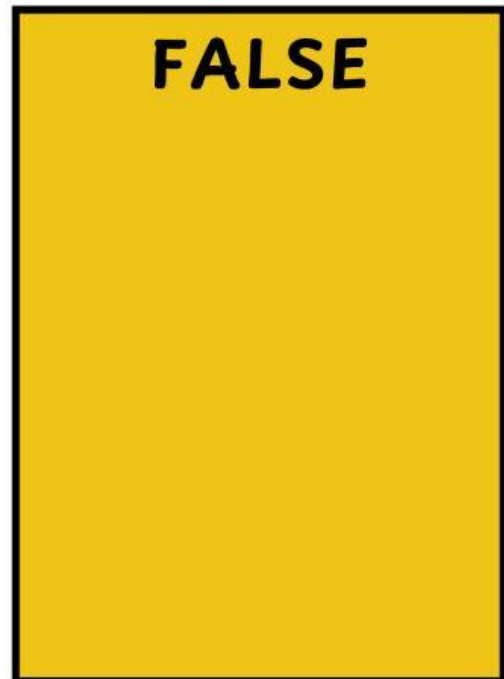
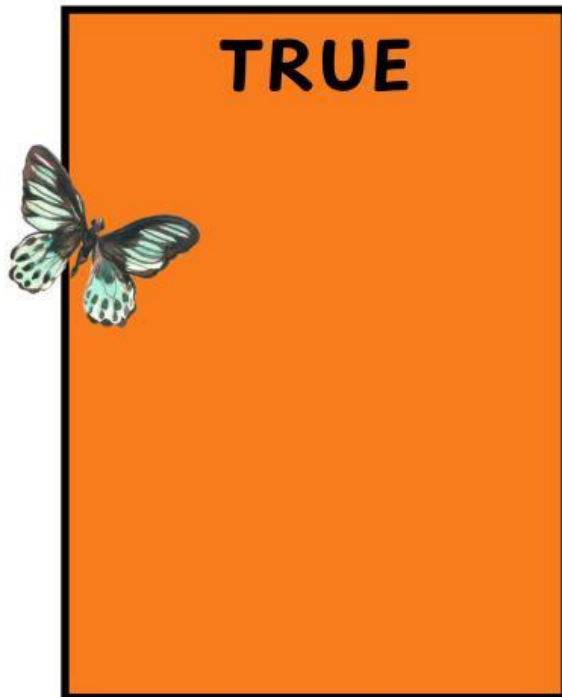
### 3) According to the text, why should students learn idioms?

- a) To sound more natural.
- b) To pass a grammar test.
- c) To learn about history.

### What does "let the cat out of the bag" mean?

- a) To buy a pet.
- b) To reveal a secret.
- c) To lose an animal.

Drag each statement in the correct box.



Idioms can be understood by looking at each word individually.

Idioms are linked to cultural contexts.

Using technology is a suggested way to practice these expressions.

### Match the idiom with its meaning.

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| Piece of cake                 | ● | ● | Good luck                  |
| Break a leg                   | ● | ● | reveal a secret by mistake |
| to let the cat out of the bag | ● | ● | very easy                  |