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Idioms Match-up

Write the letter of the correct match next to each problem.

_____ 1. costs an arm and a leg

_____ 2. eat a horse

_____ 3. let the cat out of the bag

_____ 4. couch potato

_____ 5. spill the beans

_____ 6. don't look a gift horse in the mouth

_____ 7. his bark is worse than his bite

_____ 8. drive me up the wall

_____ 9. on the fence

_____ 10. icing on the cake

a. make me go crazy

b. there is no such thing as free gifts

c. tell what happened

d. expensive

e. extra benefit that was unexpected

f. hungry

g. tell someone a secret

h. he is not as fierce as he looks

i. cannot make up my mind

j. a person who does not move from the TV









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Put the correct idioms into the box in each sentence

an arm and a leg	backhanders	cat got your tongue
glass ceiling	kick the habit	launder money
let the cat out of the bag	pays peanuts	raining cats and dogs
skeleton in the closet	teach an old dog new tricks	

1) I'm afraid I _____when I accidently mentioned that were having a surprise party for Tracy. (Reveal a secret unintentionally)

2) It really is a lovely house. It must have cost them _____. (A lot of money)

3) Tanya was a smoker for 10 years but she finally managed to _____ last year. (Stopped smoking)

4) It seems that his family had a _____. None of them would speak about what it was. (A terrible secret)

5) I'd like an explanation as to why all those cakes have been eaten. Come on! Speak up! Has a _____ or something? (Too embarrassed to talk)

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6) The local mayor has been accused of accepting _____ in return for awarding lucrative contracts to large companies. (Bribes)

7) Good luck with showing dad how to use that smart phone. As far as I am concerned, you can't _____. (It's impossible for him to learn that)

8) Make sure you take an umbrella when you go outside. It's _____out there. (Terrible weather)

9) A lot of women have complained that there is a _____ in the IT sector. (Prejudice against women in succeeding)

10) It is a nice job in many ways but it _____. (The wages are very bad)

11) The police are investigating the company after former employees claimed it was being used to _____. (Making dirty money legal)

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