Proverbs and sayings

1) These are common English proverbs. Match the beginnings in A with the endings in B (drag and drop):

A	B
1) A bird in the hand	a) that feeds you.
2) People in glass houses	b) and out the other.
3) Among the blind	c) is worth two in the bush.
4) As you sow,	d) while the sun shines.
5) Make hay	e) the one-eyed man is king.
6) Better late	f) than water.
7) Blood is thicker	g) that lays the golden eggs.
8) Don't bite the hand	h) so you shall reap.
9) Don't kill the goose	i) than never.
10) Go in one ear	j) should not throw stones.

2) Match the number of the proverb from exercise 1) above with the appropriate meaning:

a) An incapable person can get a powerful position if the others are even more incapable.
b) Things that we already have are more valuable than what we hope to get.
c) You say this when someone quickly forgets what you have told them.
d) Don't act badly toward the person who gives you benefits or profit.
e) Your actions determine what you get.
f) You should make the most of favourable conditions while they last.
g) Relationships with family are stronger than other relationships.

3) Match the proverbs and sayings in A with their meanings in B:

A	B
1) Easy come, easy go.	a) You have to work hard if you want to succeed.
2) Like father, like son.	b) It's better to be cautious than regret later.
3) No pain, no gain.	c) Those who arrive first will receive first.
4) All that glitters is not gold.	d) Solve two problems with the same action.
5) First come, first served.	e) You say this when you get something easily and then lose it easily.
6) Let bygones be bygones.	f) If something works fine, don't change it.
7) Kill two birds with one stone.	g) Things that look good may not be as good.
8) If it ain't broke, don't fix it.	h) As long as the outcome is good, problems on the way don't matter.
9) All's well that ends well.	i) Children are similar to their parents.
10) It's better to be safe than sorry.	j) Forgive someone for something they did in the past.

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