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## Idioms 2

**Directions:** Read each idiom and determine the meaning.

**Idiom:** A common expression understood figuratively, as the literal definition makes no sense.

1. We tried to give Tommy a surprise party for his birthday, but you **let the cat out of the bag**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Kevin accepted the job even though he was still in school, but his mom thought he might be **biting off more than he could chew**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. I didn't want to **jump the gun**, so I decided to wait until the second date to try and hold her hand.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Derek hated how much his mom nagged him about homework. He didn't really see why it mattered and he thought that his mom was **making a mountain out of a molehill**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Alice was feeling **a little under the weather**, so she asked her mom if she could stay home today.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Tammy wanted to yell at John for leaving the toilet seat up again, but after their last fight she decided to **let sleeping dogs lie**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. Jude was **on pins and needles** waiting for the results of the test.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

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8. I like Chris. He's a **cool** guy.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Craig and I fought over a girl in the fourth grade, but that's **water under the bridge** now.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Jeffrey was a fast learner, so he knew that the history test would be **a piece of cake**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

11. I told Tom to stop telling Kim all of his feelings, but he always did **wear his heart on his sleeve**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Every player is important on a football team, but a good quarter back is **worth his weight in gold**.

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13. Kylie's mother wanted her to play the piano but, as much as Kylie wanted to make her mother happy, playing the piano was just **not her cup of tea**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

14. I don't mean to **toot my own horn**, but I'm the fastest kid on my block and the smartest too.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

15. Look, you know that she's never liked you, so take her criticism **with a grain of salt**.

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