

Idiomatic Expression

Idiomatic expression is an expression, word, or phrase that has a symbolic meaning understood by native speakers. The meaning is different from the literal meaning. In other words, idioms don't mean exactly what the words say. They have, however, hidden meaning.

- **Come of Age**

means to reach adulthood.

Example:

His son has come of age.

- **Feel Your Age**

means to realize that you are growing old.

Example:

I really felt my age at work. All my colleagues looked very young.

- **Tender Age**

A young age.

Example

It's easier to learn languages at a tender age,

- **Leave The Nest**

means to move from one's parents Home; motivated by a desire for independence.

Example:

My son left the nest at the age of 21 and the house seems empty without him now.

- **Of A Certain Age**

Said about people who are not young

Example:

This shop sells clothes for women of a certain age.

- **Of Age**

Old enough to be considered an adult.

example:

He's of age now, he can buy his own car.

- Under Age

The phrase under age means to be too young to be eligible for something

example:

This program is not for people under age.

- Young At Heart

To be young at heart means to have a youthful spirit in spite of being old.

example:

Although he is over 80, he still feels young of heart

- Above The Salt

If someone is above the salt he is of high standing or honor because salt was expensive in the middle ages.

Example

Rich people used to sit above the salt.

- Bad Egg

bad person

Example:

Just ignore him. He's a bad egg

- Big Cheese

The phrase a big cheese refers to an important person in a group or organization.

Example:

Apparently, he's a big cheese at NASA.

- Carrot And Stick

A threat of punishment

Example:

The manger took a carrot and stick approach to the protests against his new laws.

- Cool As A Cucumber

Very calm.

Example:

It's amazing that he never shows his emotions even when he has a lot of problems. He's cool as a cucumber.

- **Food for thought**

Information or knowledge that is worthy of thinking.

Example:

The ideas developed in this book have certainly given me food for thought.

- **Get Out Of A Jam**

Get out of a bad situation.

Example:

I need some help getting out of a jam.

- **Go Bananas**

To become very angry.

Example:

He went bananas when he heard the news.

- **Traffic Jam**

a lot of vehicles and cars causing slow traffic.

Example:

We got stuck in a traffic jam for more than an hour.

- **Walk On eggs**

To walk on eggs is an English idiom. It means to be very careful in dealing with a person or situation.

Example:

I was walking on eggs when I told her the truth.

- **Blue-Sky Thinking**

This refers to thinking that is unrealistic, This phrase may also refer to creative ideas.

Example:

Blue-sky thinking has long been disregarded because of many social problems

- Heavy Weather

The phrase heavy weather refers to difficulty

Example:

Because of the economic problems, I think it's going to be heavy weather for all of us.

- In A Fog

This idiom is used when someone is confused.

Example:

after he heard the bad news, he was in a fog for a moment

- Under A Cloud

This idiom is used to describe someone who is suspected of having done something wrong.

- Example:

After the murder of the old lady, everyone living in the house was under a cloud.

- Right As Rain

This idiom is used to mean that everything is perfectly fine; all right

Example:

1. Take these medicines and soon, you'll be right as rain.

2. She had had a lot of problem with her parents, But as soon as she got married, everything was right as rain for her.

- Under The Weather

Somewhat ill or sad.

Example:

A: How have you been?

B: I've been under the weather. But It's OK now.