

Idioms

can't do something to save your life

- said to mean that you are extremely bad at doing something

"I can't draw to save my life."

put/place a premium on

- to value (something) highly

Publishers put/place a premium on accuracy.

steer clear of someone/something

- to avoid someone or something that seems unpleasant, dangerous, or likely to cause problems:

Her speech steered clear of controversial issues.

They warned their children to steer clear of drugs.

as a matter of course

- used to say that something will or should happen because it is natural, usual, or logical

You should take proper precautions as a matter of course.

We went out to dinner on her birthday, and as a matter of course we paid for her meal.

with any luck

- informal
- (also with a little luck); (UK also with a bit of luck)
- used before describing an event or a result that you are hoping for:

With any luck (= I hope that) we should get to Newcastle by early evening.

- You can add with luck or with any luck to a statement to indicate that you hope that a particular thing will happen.
- [informal, feelings]

We'll have a long talk and a good cry and then with any luck we'll both feel better.

Call somebody on something

- To call someone on something or to call someone out on something = to challenge.
- Usually in the sense that the listener does not believe the speaker or believes that the speaker is being deceptive.

"I told him that I had been to the top of Mount Everest and he called me out [on it]. Then I showed him the photos."

that/there's ... for you

- (disapproving)
- used to say that you think something is a typical example of something bad:

You spend two hours cooking a meal and they say "it's disgusting"
- that's children for you!