

Come in clutch

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1 . to barge in (on)

To barge in is to enter or go somewhere **without an invitation**

For example , opening somebody's door **without knocking** is barging in

A common phrase using 'barge in' is “ I'm sorry **to barge in on** you like this “ .

Check out these examples ;

- Kids just barge in without knocking .
- She is about to barge in . She shouldn't barge in on them .
- He and his friend just barged in on the meeting .

2 . to get more bang for your buck , more bang for the buck , get the best bang for the buck

To get **more** for your money .

How much you spent you get **more** for it .

There are some examples you can find useful ;

- You get more bang for the buck with the Samsung phone .
- If we buy from this store we'll get more bang for our buck .

3 . to call dibs on , to have got dibs on

Basically , to call dibs on something or saying like “ I got dibs on [...] “ means you **claim something** .

I **call dibs on** the drumstick (chicken leg) means I want it and I say - “ It's mine “ - before I get . I'm claiming it in advance .

Consider the following examples ;

- The mom just brought a pack of crayons and one of the kids says - “ I call dibs on the purple one ! “ .
- Here you go , the chicken’s ready . - Ok , I got dibs on the breast .

Chicken’s parts have their unique names in American English ;

the drumstick (leg)

the thigh

the wing

the breast

4 . The next of kin

The next of kin is the **closest relative** .

Review these examples ;

- They can’t identify the victims of the shooting . First they need to notify the next of kin .
- The next of kin is normally the first to become ah heir of a deceased family member .

5 . to sell yourself short

When you **underestimate** your skills or abilities and give up .

When you’re saying -“ I **can’t do it** “ , while being very much capable is **selling yourself short** .

In order to **encourage** people and support them when they think they aren’t good enough and start losing confidence , we say - “ Hey , **don’t sell yourself short ! You can do it !** “ , or - “ **You’re selling yourself short** , I know you are perfect for that job ! “ .

Here are few examples to help you with it ;

- Don't sell yourself short , I know you can do it and you do too .
- You can enroll in that college , don't sell yourself short . You are very smart .
- Don't sell yourself short Jorge , you are a tremendous lawyer .

6 . What's good for the goose is good for the gander .

A gander is a boy goose .

A goose is a female goose.

When someone **does something** and you think you **can do it too** , you say - “ Well , **what's good for the goose is good for the gander** .”

These examples should help you with it ;

- My boss takes two hour lunch break . Well , what's good for the goose is good the gander . I'm going to have a longer lunch break too.
- Her husband went to Las Vegas on vacation and she was like - well, what's good for the goose is good for the gander . I will do go to Florida with my friends without him .

7 . to be geared toward somebody

If something is **geared towards** somebody - it's made specifically for somebody to fulfill their needs .

When a product is **geared toward** someone means this product targets a certain group(s) of customers .

You can refer to the following examples ;

- SnapChat is geared toward kids .
- Flip phones with big buttons are geared toward seniors .

8 . Just get it over with

Encouraging on the edge of pushing - do it quickly so it's over !

These samples may help you to understand better ;

- I want to go to the dentist and get it over with .
- C'mon , stop thinking about it , stop anticipating it , just take a dive and get it over with .
- I don't really like the implementation of the idea but let's just do it and get it over with .

9 . to have your work cut out for you

to have your work cut out for you means to have **a lot of work** to do

These examples may also help you ;

- It's going to a busy day , I got my work cut out for me .
- we're merging with another firm and Julia has to write a ton of contracts so she's got her work cut out for her .

10 . to have a ball (most commonly in the past tense)

To have a ball means to spend time in a very enjoyable way .

Check out these examples as well ;

- I had a ball on my thirty-third birthday .
- Everyone had a ball at the party .

11 . Otherwise known as ..

You can say - ' also known as ' and ' otherwise known as ' interchangeably .
An idiom to indicate a different name of an object or person that people know .

Here some examples with sentences to look at ;

- Charles Luciano otherwise known as Lucky Luciano was an American-Italian gangster in the 1920s -30s .
- We need to attach a Buchholz relay otherwise known as an overpressure valve to our transformer .

12 . Just in the nick of time

Right before the last moment when something can be changed or something bad will happen

Take a look at the examples below ;

- Phew, I got there just in the nick of time ! They were already closing .
- He sent his documents just in the nick of time . They aren't hiring anymore .
- I edited the article just in the nick of time before they posted it .

13 . to come in clutch

In clutch means in a very important or crucial situation .

To come in clutch is to come and save the game

There are some examples to help with it ;

- Jessey came in clutch and saved the project when there was no hope left .
- They always come in clutch to save the game .