**IDIOMS**

1. **Sweeping Statement:**

To Make a statement which applies to all things of a particular kind; Thoughtless statement.

EG: To say that all Indians eat spicy food is a sweeping statement

1. **All at sea:**

Totally confused

EG: I tried to do well in the class but I have been all at sea since we started

1. **Fell foul of:**

To break a law or rule

1. **Face a Music:**

To face unpleasant consequences

EG: if you break window you have to face a music from your dad

1. **Look down up on:**

To consider someone or something not important

1. **Flogging a Dead Horse:**

Trying to do something that will not be a successful and wasting time on it.

EG: you are flogging a dead horse trying to convince him to travel with us, he hates travelling.

1. **No Love Lost Between:**

To have a **mutual dislike** between

EG: There’s no love lost between these two, they could never work together.

1. **Have a green Thumb:**

To have ability to grow plants well

EG: My mother has a green thumb when it comes to house plants.

1. **Fair and Square:**

Completely fair.

EG: she won game completely Fair and Square

1. **Under a cloud:**

Under a suspicion

EG: Someone stole money in house and now everyone is under a suspicion

1. **White Elephant: (which is quite expensive to have)**

A possession that will lead to trouble for maintaining

1. **Out and Out:** Completely, in every aspect
2. **Not hold water:** Not seem to be True

EG: That argument isn’t likely to hold water with my Father

1. **Wild Goose chase:** A foolish and Hopeless search for something
2. **In a tight corner:** In a situation that is difficult or awkward situation
3. **Going places:** Talented and successful

EG: Maria is a good writer she is definitely going places

1. **In cold Blood:** without feeling/ with cruel intent
2. **Hard and Fast:** strict, Fixed and definitive
3. **Took to heels:** to run away quickly
4. **To keep up:** To move with same speed w.r.t to something.
5. **Clean a breast of:** To tell Truth about something that you had done illegally
6. **Take after:** Resemble

EG: My sister takes after our mother

1. **Heads will Roll:** People will be dismissed or Forced to resign
2. **To give piece of Mind:** To bawl someone out

EG: sally stop it or I will give you a piece of your mind.

1. **Rest On Laurels:**

To Stop trying because one is satisfied with his past achievements

EG: Even though you did well on all your exams you can’t simply rest on laurels

1. **Pay Through Nose:** To pay too much for something EG: In order to get good room here you have to pay through the nose for it
2. **Take a fancy to somebody:**

To start liking someone or wanting something very much.

EG: I think he has taken fancy to my cricket kit

1. **Give in:** Agree defeat, yield
2. **Go Through Fire and Water:** To undergo difficulties and dangers in order to achieve something.

**EG**: They went through fire and water to ensure prince safety.

1. **Reading between the lines:** Understanding the hidden meaning.
2. **Get the sack:**  Got fired from job, to be told to leave the job
3. **By Fits and Starts:** In Short and Irregular Intervals
4. **By Leaps and Bounds:** Growing rapidly
5. **Be in Good Books:** Be in somebody’s favour or good opinion
6. **Beck and Call:** To be always at your service and ready to do whatever someone say

**EG:** Imagine to have a cook and maid at your beck and call

1. **Turn a deaf year:** Refuse to listen or Respond
2. **At Wits End:**  At the Limit of one’s mental resources
3. **To Fight tooth and Nail:** To fight against someone with lot of effort to achieve something
4. **Set the records straight:** To give true evidence of the events that have been reported wrongly
5. **The Green Eyed Monster:** jealously Personified
6. **Spilling the beans:** Reveal secret information unintentionally
7. **In High Spirits:** Happy and Cheerful, Positive and looking towards Future
8. **Take a grain of salt:** To consider something to be not completely right/True
9. **Shake in shoes:** To be very Frightened
10. **To eat Humble Pie:** To be forced to agree that you are wrong and to say you are sorry
11. **Give the devil his due:** To give even your foe Proper credit
12. **An Open Book:** (Therichina pusthakam)
13. **To Blow one’s own trumpet:** (Sontha dabbu kottadam)
14. **A bolt from the blue:** A sudden and unexpected event
15. **Fair Weather Friend:** A friend whose friendship cannot be relied on in times of difficulty.
16. **To cut one’s coat according to one’s cloth:** To Plan one aim’s accordingly with the resources and circumstances
17. **Nail one’s Colours to the mast:** Publically state his opinion about a subject.
18. **Bury the hatchet:** End conflict/quarrel and become friendly
19. **To put a Spoke in Someone Wheel:** To spoil someone else plan from doing something
20. **Barking up the wrong tree:** To make Wrong Choice
21. **Know beans about something:** know nothing about something
22. **Rub up the wrong way:** To annoy someone without intending to do
23. **Add Fuel to Fire:** To make situation more intense
24. **Hold ones Horses:** To wait up, to be patient
25. **Black Out:** to become unconsciousness, to pass out, to faint
26. **Back to the drawing board:** To start again from the beginning
27. **On the same Page:** To think in similar way
28. **Stand/Hold your Ground:** To Refuse to change your opinion even when you are forced to do so
29. **To Create a niche:** To organize work to create a secure position
30. **Balloon goes up:** a situation suddenly becomes very intense and serious/unpleasant
31. **Came to light:** to become known or to be discovered
32. **Beyond the pale:** Outside the bounds of acceptable behaviour
33. **Have other fish to Fry:** To have more important or most interesting things to do

**EG:** I hope boss keep this meeting short, we all have other fish to fry

1. **Within a Stone’s Throw:** Very Close
2. **To Feather one’s nest:**  To enrich oneself when you have opportunity
3. **The Alpha and the Omega:**  Everything.

**EG:** He loved her deeply she was his Alpha and omega

1. **To Throw dust in one’s eye:** To confuse or mislead someone
2. **Keep wolf away from the door:** To have enough money to able to eat and live

**EG:** We have small amount of money saved hardly enough to keep wolf away from the door

1. **To Get in to hot water:** Trouble or Difficulty
2. **Bring the House Down:** Make the audience laugh or applaud enthusiastically
3. **Gerrymandering way:** An Attempt to cheat/manipulate
4. **Turn Up One’s Nose at:** To Reject someone/Something

**EG:** I never turn up my nose at Dessert, no matter what it is

1. **Dot the I’s and cross the T’s:** To take care of every minor detail

**EG:** We have Dot the I’s and cross the T’s as this is very important document.

1. **By the skin of teeth**: Narrowly/Just barely
2. **Fly Off on a Tangent:** To start talking about something that is unrelated
3. **A Black Sheep:** A Person with Bad reputation
4. **To grease/oil the Palm:** To Bribe Someone
5. **A Close Fisted Person:** Person Who is very reluctant to give/spend Money(MISER)
6. **Go to Dogs:** To Become worse in Quality/Character (Darunam ga avvadam)
7. **Penelope’s Web:** Endless
8. **Stir Up Hornet’s Nest:** To create a lot of trouble
9. **Take Bull by the horns:** To deal with a difficult situation in a very direct way
10. **Cock and Bull Story:** (Kakamma Kadhalu)-A story that is used for giving excuses
11. **The Jury is Out:**  A decision has not been reached on Controversial issue
12. **Take French Leave:** Absent from work without taking permission
13. **Beat the Bush:** Discuss a matter without coming to point
14. **Go for the jugular:** To criticize someone very cruelly by talking about what you know will hurt them most (Sutipoti matalu)
15. **Make amends for:** To make up for someone/something

**E.g.:** She embarrassed her family and she want to make amends for what she has done

1. **To Leave High and Dry:** To leave someone alone and without any help
2. **Red Letter Day:** A day that is noteworthy or memorable
3. **Bird’s eye view:** A down look from high elevations
4. **Arm-Chair critic:** Someone who gives advice but never shows what actually he can do (Matala Manishi)
5. **All Moon Shine:** Nonsense
6. **Selling like Hotcake’s:** selling something quickly and in large number
7. **Put up The Shutters:** cease Trade for some time/permanently.
8. **Once in a Blue moon:** Which happens very rarely
9. **Chip on your shoulder:** When someone is upset for something that happened a while ago
10. **Cry over Spilt milk:** Complaining about loss or failure from the past
11. **Piece of cake:** Something that is easy to understand
12. **Blessing in disguise:** Something useful and good that initially it did not seem that way
13. **Come Hell or High Water:** Possible obstacles in your path
14. **Taste of your own medicine:** When someone receives the same treatment mostly the negative way he treats
15. **Golden Handshake:** A big sum of money someone receives when the leave company/ retire
16. **Mean Business:** being serious/dedicated