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Idioms: A Guide to Common Phrases and Their Meanings**

Introduction

Idioms are phrases or expressions that have a figurative meaning that cannot be deduced from their literal meaning. They are often used to add color, humor, or emphasis to language.

Common Idioms and Their Meanings

100 Idioms

1. A piece of cake - Easy to do
2. Break a leg - Good luck
3. Cat got your tongue? - Are you nervous?
4. Drown in work - To be overwhelmed
5. Feeling under the weather - Sick

200 Idioms

1. Burn the candle at both ends - To work too hard
2. Cry over spilled milk - To regret something that cannot be changed
3. Eat crow - To admit being wrong
4. Hit the hay - To go to bed
5. Keep your eyes peeled - To be vigilant

50 Examples of Idioms

1. All thumbs - Clumsy
2. Back to square one - To start over
3. Beat around the bush - To avoid the main subject
4. Bite off more than you can chew - To take on more than you can handle
5. Break a heart - To cause emotional pain

Idioms in Spanish

1. A buen tiempo - Right on time
2. De cabo a rabo - From beginning to end
3. Estar en la luna - To be daydreaming
4. Hacerse el sueco - To pretend not to understand
5. Llover a cántaros - To rain heavily

Idioms for Specific Concepts

- **Skepticism:** A grain of salt
- **Vulnerability:** Achilles' heel
- **Bluntness:** Tell it like it is

Types of Idioms

1. **Metaphorical:** Phrases that compare two things without using "like" or "as"
2. **Simile:** Phrases that compare two things using "like" or "as"
3. **Metonymy:** Phrases that use a part of something to represent the whole
4. **Hyperbole:** Phrases that exaggerate for effect

Usage of Idioms

Idioms should be used sparingly and appropriately. They can add humor or emphasis to language, but they can also be confusing if overused or used incorrectly.

Learning Idioms

The best way to learn idioms is to read widely and listen to native speakers. There are also many books and websites that provide lists and explanations of idioms.

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