Quiz on Business idioms & corporate terms

Choose the correct idiom to replace the expression in the brackets.

1. After the fire the company was forced to sell most of their merchandise (although they lost money).  
  
 a)   [by a long shot](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#byalong)  
 b)   [at a loss](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#ataloss)  
 c)   [in black and white](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#inblackandwhite)  
 d)   [in the long run](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#inlongrun)

2. The price of oil (reached its lowest point) in July and began to rise soon after.  
  
 a)   [cut corners](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#cutcorners)  
 b)   [closed out](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#closeout)  
 c)   [broke even](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#breakeven)  
 d)   [bottomed out](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#bottomout)

3. The computer company had much trouble trying to get its new business to (make a successful start).  
  
 a)   [be in the red](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#inthered)  
 b)   [get off the ground](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#getofftheground)  
 c)   [mean business](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#meanbusiness)  
 d)   [strike while the iron was hot](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#strikewhilehot)

4. The price of computer chips (collapsed) after personal computer sales began to decrease.  
  
 a)   [took a nosedive](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#takenosedive)  
 b)   [turned over](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#toturnover)  
 c)   [bottomed out](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#bottomout)  
 d)   [carried the day](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#carryday)

5. The automobile dealer had no trucks (available to sell) so we had to wait for two months to buy one.  
  
 a)   [in the works](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#inworks)  
 b)   [on credit](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#oncredit)  
 c)   [in stock](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#instock)  
 d)   [written off](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#writeoff)Top of Form

6.Our company needed to raise money to expand so we decided to (sell its shares on the stock market).  
  
 a)   [take a nosedive](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#takenosedive)  
 b)   [sell it out](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#sellout)  
 c)   [take it over](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#takeover)  
 d)   [take it public](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#takepublic)

7. The steel company finally went bankrupt after being (burdened with losses) for many years.  
  
 a)   [jacked up](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#jackup)  
 b)   [on the block](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#ontheblock)  
 c)   [saddled with debt](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#saddlewithdebt)  
 d)   [paid off](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#payoff)

8. We are (ready to buy) a new car but we have not found anything that we like.  
  
 a)   [in the loop for](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#intheloop)  
 b)   [in the market for](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#inthemarketfor)  
 c)   [in charge of](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#inchargeof)  
 d)   [cutting back](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#cutback)

9. The salesman tried to sell the house by (being very aggressive) which made us uncomfortable.  
  
 a)   [a hard sell](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#hardsell)  
 b)   [keeping books](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#keepbooks)  
 c)   [a kickback](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#kickback)  
 d)   [being a company man](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#companyman)

10. We tried to get a (rough estimate) for the cost of new computer printers.  
  
 a)   [budget crunch](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#budgetcrunch)  
 b)   [number cruncher](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#numbercruncher)  
 c)   [ball park figure](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#ballparkfigure)  
 d)   [sweetheart deal](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#sweetheartdeal)

11.There is a chance to make much money during the summer so we will (take advantage of the opportunity) and work hard.  
  
 a)   [throw money at it](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#throwmoneyat)  
 b)   [strike while the iron is hot](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#strikewhilehot)  
 c)   [sell like hotcakes](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#selllikehotcakes)  
 d)   [mean business](https://www.idiomconnection.com/business.html#meanbusiness)

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