

IDIOMS

About idioms:- In English Idioms enrich the language. The unit of meaning is different from what the words actually suggest. For example, the expression 'blue blood' does not mean that blood

is blue, but it means ‘to belong to a royal family.’ Similarly ‘the apple of discord’ does not imply any real apple, it means ‘a cause of quarrel’ or ‘Pandora box’ means ‘a cause of several problems’ and does not imply any real box though it has an association with the box of Pandora.

Some Examples of Idioms:-

1. **Up in arms:-** Protesting angrily.
2. **Snake in the grass:-** A hidden enemy.

3. **A good samaritan:-** Someone who tries to help someone.
4. **To fly off the handle:-** To lose one's temper.
5. **Make a mountain out of a molehill:**
 - Exaggerate a minor problem.
6. **To make a fore:-** To make oneself prominent in a field.

7. **Make amends:-** To compensate (For an injury, loss or insult).
8. **Spilled the beans:-** revealed the secret.
9. **Leave someone high and dry:-** To leave someone helpless.
10. **A cold day in July/ A Cold day in hell:-** A thing which can never happen.

11. **Turn a cold shoulder to a person:-**

Ignore someone.

12. **Eleventh hour:-** Last possible
moment

13. **A chip of the old block:-** Someone
similar in character to one's own
father.

14. **Out of the way:-** Strange /
Uncanny.

15. **See red:-** To be very angry with something.
16. **Swan song:-** The final performance or activity of a person's career.
17. **Wet blanket:-** To discourage or spoil the excitement or fun.
18. **Wild goose chase:-** A futile pursuit for something unattainable.
19. **Sweep scandals under the carpet:-**
To hide something embarrassing.

20. **Not in voice:-** Unable to sing properly.

21. **To eat a humble pie:-** Apologize.

22. **Get a second bite at the cherry:-**
To get a second chance.

23. **Hand in glove:-** On intimate terms.

24. **Poles Apart:-** Having nothing in common.

25. **To be in abeyance:-**

In reserve/Suspended

VOCABULARY:- (PHOBIAS)

1. **Algophobia:-** Morbid fear of pain.
2. **Anglophobia:-** Morbid fear of
England and English things.

3. **Anthropophobia:-** Morbid fear of mankind.
4. **Agoraphobia:-** Morbid fear of wide open places.
5. **Astraphobia:-** Morbid fear of lightning, thunder and storms.
6. **Ballistophobia:-** Morbid fear of missiles.

7. **Bibliophobia:-** Morbid fear of books.
8. **Demophobia/ Ochlophobia:-** Morbid fear of crowd.
9. **Dendrophobia:-** Morbid fear of trees.
10. **Ergophobia:-** Morbid fear of work.
11. **Francophobia:-** Morbid fear of the French.

12. **Gynaephobia:-** Morbid fear of women.
13. **Hemophobia:-** Morbid fear of blood.
14. **Hippophobia:-** morbid fear of horses.
15. **Monophobia:-** Fear of being alone.
16. **Mysophobia:-** Fear of contamination or germs.

17. **Nyctophobia:-** Morbid fear of darkness.
18. **Pathophobia:-** Morbid fear of disease.
19. **Photophobia:-** Morbid fear of light.
20. **Pyrophobia:-** Morbid fear of fire.