**Idioms**

**Definition:**

An idiom is a group of words, or in other words, a phrase that has a meaning different from the literal meaning of the words in it. It is widely used in English and can add color and depth to your conversations. Keep in mind that their popularity may vary by region and context.

**Common idioms:**

1. **Break the ice**

To initiate a conversation or social interaction.

 - Example:

 “At the party, John told a joke to break the ice.”

1. **Bite the bullet**

 To face a difficult situation with courage.

 - Example:

“She knew she had to confront her fear and bite the bullet.”

1. **Piece of cake**

Something that is very easy to do.

 - Example:

“After studying for weeks, the exam felt like a piece of cake.”

1. **Cost an arm and a leg**

Something that is very expensive.

 - Example:

 “Buying a new car can sometimes cost an arm and a leg.”

1. **Hit the nail on the head**

To be exactly right about something.

 - Example:

 “When he explained the issue, he hit the nail on the head.”

1. **Barking up the wrong tree**

To be mistaken or looking in the wrong place.

 - Example:

“If you think I have your keys, you’re barking up the wrong tree.”

“if you think i stole your jewelry, you are barking up the wrong tree”.

1. **Kill two birds with one stone**

To accomplish two tasks at the same time.

 - Example:

“By going to the gym in the morning, she killed two birds with one stone.”

“she bought clothes with discount , she killed two birds with one stone”.

1. **On the ball**

Being alert and competent.

 - Example:

 “She’s always on the ball when it comes to handling difficult situations.”

1. **Once in a blue moon**

Something that happens very rarely.

 - Example:

 “They meet up for dinner once in a blue moon due to their busy schedules.”

1. **Break a leg**

It’s a way to wish someone good luck.

 - Example:

“Before her audition, her friend said, ‘Break a leg!’”

1. **The ball is in your court**

It’s your turn to take action or make a decision.

 - Example:

“I’ve given my suggestions, now the ball is in your court.”

1. **Spill the beans**

To reveal a secret or give away information.

 - Example:

 “She accidentally spilled the beans about the surprise party.”

“my friend mistakenly spilled the beans about my plans”

1. **Caught between a rock and a hard place**

To be in a difficult situation with no easy solution.

 - Example:

“He was caught between a rock and a hard place, having to choose between two equally challenging options.”

1. **Back to the drawing board**

To start over after a plan or idea has failed.

 - Example:

 “The prototype didn’t work, so it’s back to the drawing board for the engineers.”