



IDIOMS - I

First 50 idioms every learner should know:

(En önemli 50 İngilizce deyim)

1. **Break the ice** – to relieve tension or get conversation started in an awkward situation.
2. **Bite the bullet** – to endure a painful or unpleasant task courageously.
3. **Hit the nail on the head** – to describe exactly what is causing a situation or problem.
4. **Let the cat out of the bag** – to reveal a secret, often unintentionally.
5. **Kill two birds with one stone** – to achieve two aims with a single effort.
6. **Barking up the wrong tree** – to pursue a mistaken or misguided course of action.
7. **Piece of cake** – something very easy to do.
8. **Cost an arm and a leg** – to be very expensive.
9. **Cut corners** – to do something poorly or cheaply.
10. **Under the weather** – feeling unwell or sick.
11. **The ball is in your court** – it's your turn to take action or make a decision.
12. **Back to square one** – to have to start over again.
13. **A blessing in disguise** – something that seems bad at first but turns out to be good.
14. **A dime a dozen** – very common and of little value.
15. **Beat around the bush** – to avoid talking about what's important.
16. **Better late than never** – it's better to do something late than not do it at all.
17. **Bite off more than you can chew** – to take on more responsibility than you can manage.
18. **Actions speak louder than words** – what people do is more important than what they say.
19. **Apple of my eye** – someone who is cherished above all others.
20. **His bark is worse than his bite** – someone's threats are worse than their actions.
21. **Burn bridges** – to destroy one's relationships or opportunities.
22. **Call it a day** – to stop working on something.
23. **Cry over spilled milk** – to be upset about something that cannot be changed.
24. **Devil's advocate** – someone who argues a point for the sake of debate.
25. **Every cloud has a silver lining** – every bad situation has some positive aspect.
26. **Get out of hand** – to become uncontrolled.
27. **Give the benefit of the doubt** – to choose to believe someone's statement, without proof.
28. **Hit the sack** – to go to bed.
29. **In the blink of an eye** – very quickly; in a very short time.
30. **Jump on the bandwagon** – to join others in doing something that is currently popular.
31. **Keep your chin up** – to remain cheerful and hopeful in difficult circumstances.
32. **Let sleeping dogs lie** – to avoid interfering in a situation that is currently causing no problems.
33. **Miss the boat** – to miss an opportunity.
34. **Off the cuff** – without preparation; spontaneously.
35. **Once in a blue moon** – very rarely.
36. **Out of the blue** – unexpectedly; without warning.
37. **Pull someone's leg** – to tease or joke with someone.
38. **On the ball** – alert, knowledgeable, and competent.
39. **On thin ice** – in a risky or precarious situation.
40. **Rain on someone's parade** – to spoil someone's plans or enjoyment.
41. **Rome wasn't built in a day** – important things take time to complete.
42. **Saved by the bell** – rescued from a difficult situation at the last moment.
43. **The best of both worlds** – enjoying two desirable but normally incompatible things at once.
44. **Through thick and thin** – in both good times and bad.
45. **Time flies when you're having fun** – time seems to pass quickly when you're enjoying yourself.
46. **Twist someone's arm** – to persuade someone to do something they're reluctant to do.
47. **Up in the air** – undecided or unresolved.
48. **When pigs fly** – something that will never happen.
49. **You can't judge a book by its cover** – you shouldn't judge someone or something by appearance alone.
50. **Your guess is as good as mine** – I have no more idea than you do.