

Lesson 19**Idioms**

A. Underline the idiom in each sentence. Then rewrite the sentences using regular words.

1. I thought the test was easy as pie.

2. My room is as clean as a whistle.

3. Tom and Jeff are like two peas in a pod.

4. If you are late, you will miss the boat for the job.

5. Mom told us to stop the monkey business.

B. Match each idiom to its meaning. Write the letter of your answer in the space.

6. _____ to pass the buck

a. to avoid answering the question

7. _____ to beat around the bush

b. to pass responsibility on to someone else

8. _____ to pass the hat

c. to stop work for the day

9. _____ wild goose chase

d. a hopeless search

10. _____ to call it a day

e. to ask for contributions

Idioms are expressions whose meanings are not meant to be taken literally. (Example: “*Don’t beat around the bush!*” means “*Get to the point!*”)

Resource Links

1 RDI Book 1: p. 273

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