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## Idioms 7

**Directions:** Read each idiom and determine the meaning.

**Idiom:** A common expression understood figuratively, as the literal definition makes no sense.

1. We tried to figure out why our teacher was wearing bunny slippers and pajamas, but we couldn't find any **rhyme or reason to it**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Coach Ruggeri put a great team together but most of them were seniors and now that they're all graduating, he'll have to build a new team **from scratch**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

3. As the two doctors argued over the next medical intervention to attempt, the patient had a difficult time following the conversation due to all of the medical **mumbo-jumbo**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Grandpa tried his best to understand the terms of the contract that he was about to enter, but he couldn't **wrap his head around** all of the sprawling clauses and financial jargon.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

5. After being drafted into the NFL and receiving his signing bonus, Victor bought a new sports car with **all of the bells and whistles**.

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6. Even though Vaughn tried to pretend like he didn't know the girl, when Brenda showed him the text messages, he knew that he was **caught red-handed**.

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

7. The market for physical media has really **gone belly up** since consumers embraced the internet and digital media.

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8. Mom **drew a line in the sand** about using our phones at the dinner table and now we talk a lot more as a family during dinner.

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9. I appreciate the pleasantries but **as the crow flies**, I'd like to know the reason that you are calling me at this hour.

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10. Ben was treating her very indifferently today, but she just figured that it was a case of **sour grapes** since she declined his invitation to the school dance last night.

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11. If a company wants to bring a new product to the overcrowded tech aisles, they better be ready to **duke it out**.

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12. Just as the teacher had given up on Jake, he submitted a flawlessly composed essay at the **eleventh hour**.

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13. After months of intense practice and drilling, the players had the playbook **down pat**.

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14. The teacher reprimanded the children in the hallway, "I saw Alice keeping her hands to herself and not talking with anyone while waiting for the fountain, and I expect the rest of you to **follow suit**."

What is the meaning of this idiom? \_\_\_\_\_

15. You can accept his challenge if you want, but it's going to be under his terms, on his field, and **the deck will be stacked against you**.

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