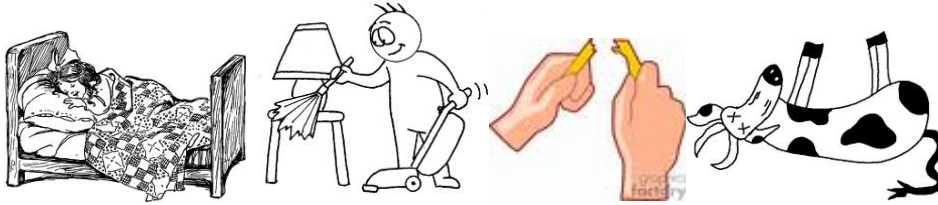


Which word goes to each picture: break, dead, sleep, clean?



Idioms with “break”

If you break something, it separates into pieces. EX: The glass breaks when you drop it. Break the window and go inside. Break means many other things. Here are a few of the ways it is used.

1. You can **break a rule**. That means you do not follow the rules. EX: Jane did not come home by 9 PM. She broke the rules. Please don't break the rules again.
2. You can **break the law**. This means the same as break a rule. EX: Break the law and go to jail.
3. You can **take a break**. That means stop what you are doing for a minute. EX: Jan, take a break and have some coffee. I took a break earlier.
4. You can **break the news** to someone. That means to be the first to tell them. EX: I must break the news to my wife. All the tickets are sold out. She broke the news to her father that she got a job.
5. You can **get a lucky break** if something good happens. EX: She got a break and was hired as an actress.
6. You can **break a record**. That means to beat the record for something. EX: Did Lisa break the record in the race. The runner broke the record for the mile race.
7. If a machine **breaks down**, it stops working. EX: My machine broke down last night. My car breaks down every week.
8. **Breaking news** is the most recent news.

Questions: Fill in the blank with the correct idiom

1. The truck slowed down and stopped. The driver said the engine stopped working. The truck _____.
2. The record in the high jump event is 10 feet. Bev jumped 10 ft 1 inch. She _____.
3. Anna sings in a small club. One night a famous band leader came to the club. He heard her sing. He asked her to sing with his band. Anna _____.
4. The rule says you cannot talk on your cell phone at work. Bill talked to his girlfriend on his cell phone at work. Bill _____.
5. The speed limit was 35 mph. Dani drove 50 mph. Dani _____.
6. Mary got accepted to the university. She was excited. She wanted to tell her mother. She wanted to _____.
7. Jane worked all night on her machine. She was very tired. She needed rest. She decided to _____.
8. We turned on the TV to hear the _____.

Choose the correct word for the blanks.

sleep/sleeping/sleepy/slept

I am so _____ today. I did not _____ well last night. I need more _____. I am not _____ well these days. I hope I _____ better tonight. I _____ better last week. I have _____ poorly for many days.

alive/lively/living/livable

That was a bad accident. I am lucky to be _____.
 The children were _____ today. They ran and played all day.
 I am _____ in America now. Soon I will move to Mexico.
 This house is too dirty. I can't live here. This house isn't _____.

dead/died/dying

My flowers are _____ because of the heat. The last of my flowers _____ last week. All my flowers are _____. This is a bunch of _____ flowers. I am _____ to meet the new girl that lives next door. My husband is _____ to get a new car.

clean/cleanest/cleaner

This apartment is dirty. It is not _____. My daughter's apartment is _____ than this one. That new apartment was the _____ of them all. I will buy some _____ at the market and we will scrub the floors.

break/broke/broken

The door is locked and I forgot my key. I will _____ the window and go inside. A _____ window is not easy to fix. If you _____ it, you must fix it. I have no money. I am dead _____. Maria's parents divorced years ago. She grew up in a _____ home. I worked hard all day. I need a _____.

hide/hidden/hid/

Leather is made from the _____ of a cow. The children like to _____ in the closet. We had _____ our jewelry under the bed. The boys _____ from the girls.

Finish these sentences.

1. I wanted to go with you, but _____.
2. I want a new car, but _____.
3. Jan lost her wallet, but _____.
4. We went to her house, but _____.
5. It started raining, but _____.
6. They liked the house, but _____.
7. She wants to stay, but _____.
8. Bill studies hard, but _____.
9. It was a long trip, but _____.
10. He reads English well, but _____.