

FUMC ESL 5-6-2013 Advanced Lesson

Head Idioms

Match the idioms to the correct definition. Then fill in the blanks in the sentences below with the correct idiom.

bite your tongue	bite my head off	armed to the teeth	
pick your brains	have a good head on your shoulders		
talk until you are blue in the face	put your foot in your mouth	bad-mouth	
head over heels	get it through your thick skull		

1. to speak angrily to someone
2. to say something that you regret, something that is hurtful or embarrassing
3. to talk until you are exhausted
4. to say bad things about someone
5. struggle not to say something that you would really like to say
6. to be sensible and intelligent
7. heavily armed with many dangerous weapons
8. to talk with someone to get information or ideas from them
9. be in love with someone very much
10. make you understand

A: My sister came home last night after being away for six months. We stayed up late and _____.

B. I told Carol her hair looked the best I had ever seen it. But I _____ because she was wearing a wig.

C. I had to _____ to keep from telling her what I really thought.

D. John always _____ his former boss. He really did not like him.

E. My mother really _____ when she found out I came in after midnight.

F. Tom figured out the solution to the problem. He really _____.

G. The terrorists were _____ when they entered the building.

H. Tom is a really smart guy. Let's _____ to see if he can find a solution to this problem.

I. Jeremy and Sara are _____ in love.

J. I couldn't _____ that if you drink and drive, you will go to jail.

Match these rhyming words and phrases to the sentences below.

back talk	beanstalk	crosswalk
girl talk	jaywalk	out talk
pep talk	sidewalk	sleepwalk
small talk	space walk	sweet talk
baby talk	double talk	nature walk

1. _____ Jack walked up this to get to the giant's castle.
2. _____ The astronauts do this when they visit the space station.
3. _____ Some people walk around the house while they are sleeping.
4. _____ Every time we asked the price of the car, the salesman talked nonsense.

5. _____ The teenager told her mother she would not obey.
6. _____ Don't cross the street except between the lines at the intersection.
7. _____ My nephew is just starting to talk. He calls bananas, "bammys".
8. _____ My boyfriend told me how beautiful I was and how much he loved being with me.
9. _____ While I was waiting for my girlfriend I had to talk to her dad about the weather.
10. _____ She can talk more than any other person I know.
11. _____ All the girls are in the bedroom talking about boys and dating.
12. _____ He crossed the street in the middle, not at the corner.
13. _____ I love to walk in the woods.
14. _____ The coach told them they were the best team and he knew they could win.
15. _____ The concrete path beside the street where people walk.

Underline the correct choice:

- 1-My son wishes he (hadn't seen/doesn't see) that scary movie.
- 2-Mrs. Hope wishes we (study/had studied/ had to study) more for the test.
- 3-I wish I (haven't bought/hadn't bought/didn't buy) that used car.
- 4-I wish I (have started/had started/would start) taking English classes in elementary school.
- 5-My whole family wishes that I (won't get married/am married/were married).
- 6-I wish the train (will come/would come).
- 7-I wish the manager (fixes/would fix) the air conditioner.
- 8-My parents wish I (have moved/had moved/should move) in with them.

Creating "wish" statements

1. These tickets were so expensive! EX: I wish these tickets were not so expensive.
2. I don't know how to operate this machine. EX: I wish I knew how to operate this machine.
3. The rent for that apartment is so high. I wish...
4. There's going to be a big test tomorrow. I wish...
5. My parents don't like my new boyfriend. I wish...
6. My car stalls all the time. I wish...
7. I don't have any musical talent. I wish...
8. I have to finish all the food on my plate. I wish...
9. I haven't seen my grandma in two years. I wish...
10. That dishwasher doesn't work well. I wish...
11. My daughter says she has too much homework. I wish...
12. My children have a lot of cavities. I wish...
13. I have a bad cold. I wish...
14. My assistant has quit to stay home with her baby. I wish...
15. The president is making a speech at 8 PM. I wish...
16. Tonight is the last night of the holiday weekend. I wish...
17. English is a hard language to learn. I wish...
18. I can't come to your party. I wish...