

Listening Quiz

Circle the word you hear.

- book brook
- cook crook
- hook look
- book took
- shook hook
- checkbook scrapbook
- notebook textbook
- comic book overlook
- brook hook
- bookie cookie
- rookie hooky

Vocabulary

brook: a small stream

crook: criminal

checkbook: a small book containing your bank checks

scrapbook: a book that you put mementos and keepsakes in

comic book: a book of cartoons

bookie: someone who takes bets on horse races and other sports

rookie: someone in their first year of a job

hooky: to leave school illegally in order to have fun, as in "I saw Johnny fishing down at the brook. He must be playing hookie."

Answer quickly with as many items as you can think of:

cartoon heroes

cartoon villains

good books you've read

things you might see from an overlook

something you would put in a scrapbook

something you would write a check for

something that might hang on a hook

something that would make you shake

something you would find in a locker room

Match these word combinations to the correct sentence.

locker room elbow room baby boom bride and groom

1-There are lots of babies being born right now. I think we must be having a _____.

2-I love weddings. Oh, look, here come the _____ now.

3-You can change into your football uniform in the _____.

4-We need to add a room now that we have a third child. This house is getting too small. We need a little more _____.

5-Don't put the chairs too close together. People like to have a little _____.

6-The _____ smells like sweat and muddy shoes.

7- Where are the _____ going on their honeymoon?

8-Because of the _____, the town had to build more elementary schools.

Conversation of idioms

Tom: Guess what I heard.

Jane: What?

Tom: John and Sara got engaged this weekend.

Jane: How do you know?

Tom: I heard it on the grapevine.

Jane: Well, I already know about it. In fact, it is common knowledge around the office. You're a little bit late.

Tom: Darn. I'm always the last to know!

Jane: News travels fast in this office.

Tom: Are you and Sara close?

Jane: We're pretty tight. I've known her for years. She's like a sister to me.

Tom: That John is one of a kind, isn't he. They broke the mold when they made John.

Jane: He is a character. He kept me in stitches the other night telling about his experiences in the military.

Tom: I hear Sara is also quite a joker.

Jane: Yes, John and Sara are two of a kind.

Idioms in this conversation: Use each idiom in a sentence.

get engaged (promised to marry)

heard it on the grapevine (learned it from the office gossip)

common knowledge (something everyone knows)

news travels fast

close (very intimate)

tight (very close)

like a sister to me

one of a kind (unique)

broke the mold (change the pattern so that no more like that could be made)

character (unusual personality)

kept me in stitches (kept me laughing hard)

two of a kind (alike)

Discuss:

1. Are you and your sister two of a kind or are you very different?
2. Do you have a favorite sibling?
3. How do you get your news?
4. Do you keep up with the news in your country while you are here?
5. How important is it to be informed about current events?
6. What TV program keeps you in stitches?
7. How did you get engaged? Where were you and how did it happen?
8. Were your parents in favor of your getting married?
9. Are you and your mother close? How about your mother in law?
10. Is it common for married children to live with parents in your country?