

All Idioms Asked In SSC CGL 2023

1. Lily-livered:- weak and cowardly (डरपोक)



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Eg:- I've never met anyone as lily-livered as you are.

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2. To kick the bucket :- to die (मर जाना)

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Ex:- Every one of us will kick the bucket someday.

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3. Miss the boat:- to miss an opportunity. (अवसर गंवाना)

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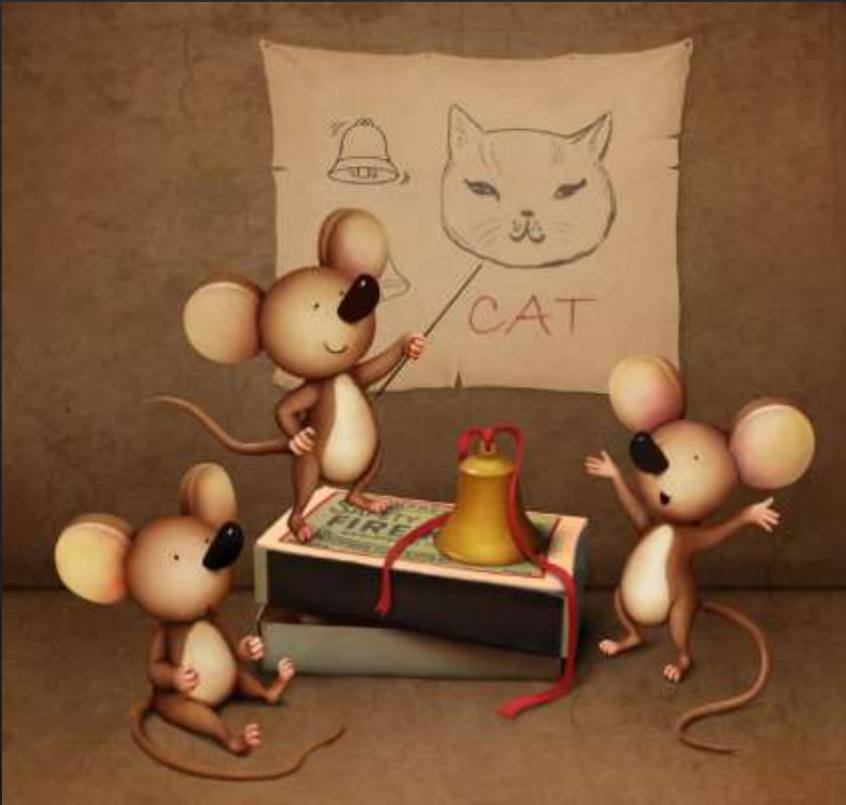


Eg:- Here were tickets available last week, but he missed the boat by waiting till today to try to buy some.

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5. To bell the cat :- To face risk. (खतरा मोल लेना)

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Eg:- Your suggestion is very good but the problem is that who is going to bell the cat?

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Q6. A storm in a teacup - A situation in which people are very angry or upset about something that is not important. बात का बतंगड़ बनाना

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Eg:- I think this is all a storm in a teacup, and there is nothing to worry about.

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7. Sharp practice:- Crafty or deceitful dealings, especially in business. (बेईमानी का व्यवहार)

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Eg:- That woman's known for her sharp practice, so I'd rather not deal with her.

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8. Rule to roost:- To dominate (प्रभुत्व रखना)



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Eg:- In his family it is his grandmother who rules the roost.

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9. Keep someone at arm's length:- to not allow someone to become too friendly with you. (किसी व्यक्ति या वस्तु के बहुत करीब या मित्रतापूर्ण होने से बचना)

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Eg.

They no longer trust her and are keeping her at arm's length.

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10. To tie someone (up) in knots :- to confuse someone and make them unable to explain something clearly:
(भ्रमित करना)

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Eg-
The interviewer tied me up in knots by asking tricky questions.

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11. Scrape the barrel:- To do something that you do not want to do because you have no other option.
(सबसे आखिरी विकल्प का प्रयोग करना)

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Eg:- Sonali was scrapping the barrel when she had to live for six months with her friend when she lost her job.

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12. A dime a dozen :- Very common and of no particular value. (एकदम साधारण व सस्ता)



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Eg – Cheap watches like this flooded the market. You can get them dime a dozen.

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13. Beat about the bush:- To avoid getting to the point of an issue. (घुमा फिर के बातें करना)

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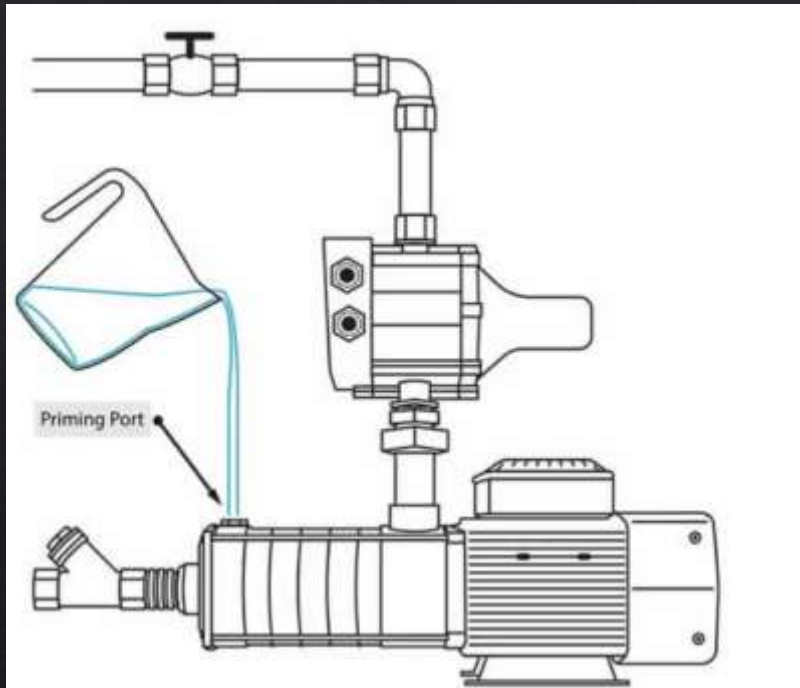


Eg:- Quit beating around the bush and say what's on your mind.

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14. To prime the pump:- stimulate the growth or success of something by doing something, usually, supplying it with money. (किसी चीज़ के विकास को प्रोत्साहित करना)

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Eg:- Spring is the time when the government primes the pump to help farmers prepare their fields.

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15. Back against the wall:- Be in a difficult situation from where escape is difficult (ऐसी कठिन परिस्थिति में हों जहां से निकलना मुश्किल हो)

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Eg:- I wish I could help you, but my back is against the wall because I don't get paid for two more weeks.

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16. To walk on the air:- to feel extremely excited or happy
(बहुत खुश होना)

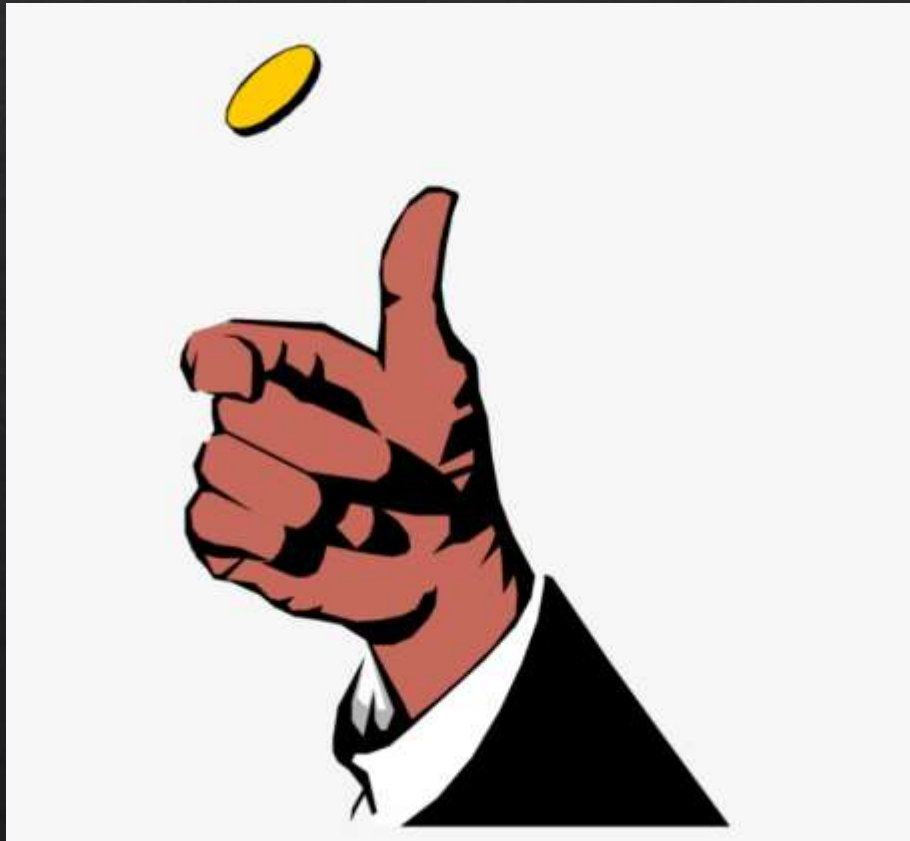
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Eg- After he won the election,
was walking on air.

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17. **Bad iron** :- Bad luck. (खराब किस्मत)



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Eg:- I've been having a bit of bad iron so far this morning: I lost my wallet, my keys, and then my phone.

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18. By the skin of your teeth:- Just barely/ by a very narrow margin; only just. (मुश्किल से)

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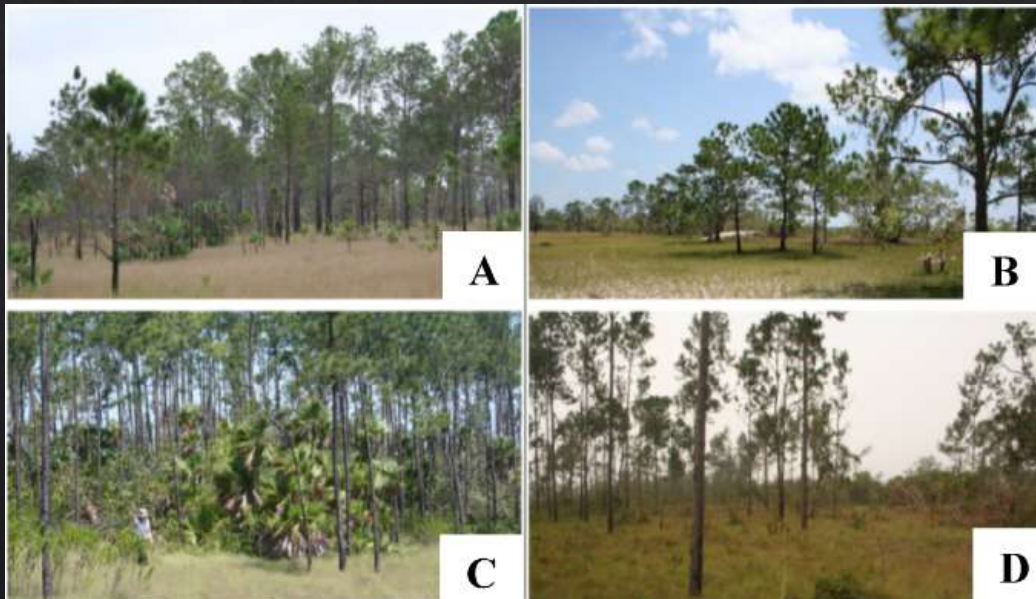


Eg:- I ran into the airport and caught the plane by the skin of my teeth.

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19. Through thick and thin:- under all circumstances, no matter how difficult. (किसी भी हालत में)

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Eg:- My best friend has supported me through thick and thin.

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20. Blessing in disguise:- Something that seems bad or unlucky at first but causes something good to happen later:
(दुःख के भेष में सुख)

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Eg:- Being laid off was a blessing in disguise – within a month I got a much better job.

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21. To be in two minds:- To be uncertain (असमंजस की स्थिति में होना/निश्चय नहीं कर पाना)

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Eg:- I was of two minds about whether or not to come this morning.

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22. Fall foul of :- to get into trouble because of failing to do what is required by (the law, a rule, etc.) (समस्या में पड़ना)

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Eg:- I fell foul of the committee, and now I'm not sure how to improve my reputation.

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23. Gift of the gab:- the ability to speak with eloquence and fluency. (बोलने की कुशलता)



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Eg:- She's got the gift of the gab - she should work in sales and marketing.

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Q24. Get into a scrape:- Involved in a problem (किसी समस्या में पड़ना)



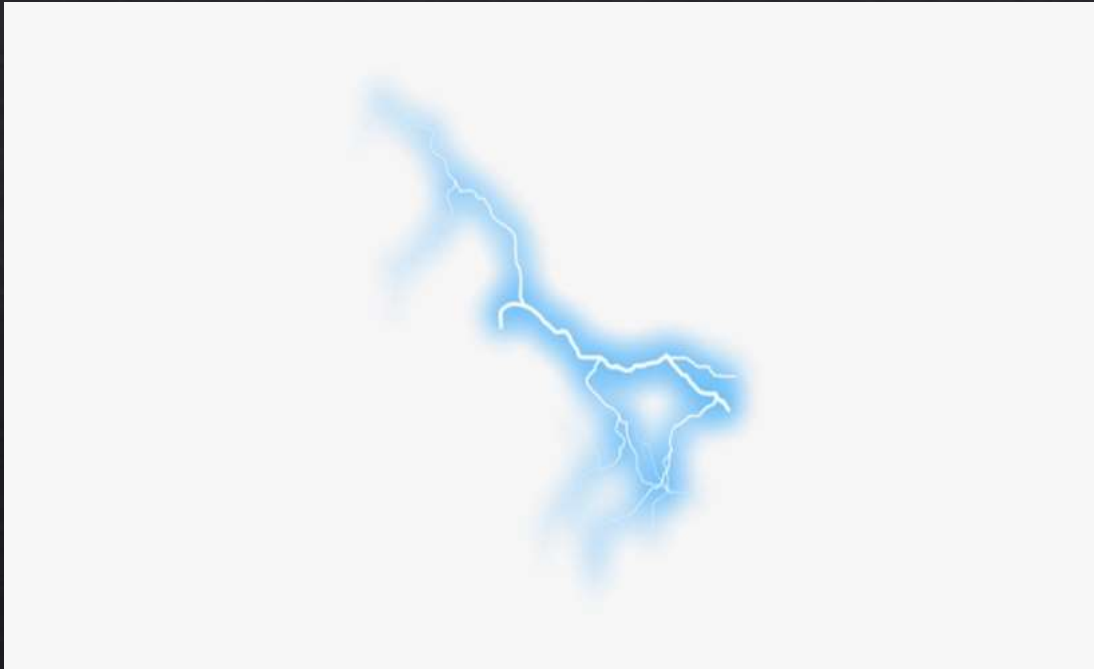
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Eg:- He got into a scrap by embezzling public funds.

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25. A bolt from the blue:- A complete surprise /an unexpected disaster. (अप्रत्याशित घटना)

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Eg – The resignation of the chairman came like a bolt from the blue.

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26. Blow something out of proportion :- to treat a particular event or problem far too seriously: (बात का बतंगड़ बनाना)

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Eg:- It's ridiculous - we have a tiny disagreement and you blow the whole thing out of proportion!

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27. To go to the dogs :- To become worse. (बदतर हो जाना)



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Eg:- After his father's death, their business went to the dogs.

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28. Up the creek :- In trouble, in a serious predicament.
बहुत गंभीर समस्या में पड़ना..

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Ex :- If the check doesn't arrive today I'm up a creek.

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29. Back to the drawing board:- to plan it all over again (नये सिरे से शुरुवात)

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Eg- The government must go back to the drawing board and whole issue of youth training.

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"Well, back to the old drawing board."

30. Jumped the gun:- to do something too soon, especially without thinking carefully about it: (बिना सोचे समझे जल्दीबाजी में कोई काम करना)

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Ex -They've only just met - isn't it jumping the gun to be talking about marriage already?

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31. Be on the ball:- to be quick to understand and react to things./ be alert to new ideas, methods, and trends. (सतर्क रहना)

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Eg:- She really is on the ball; she's bought houses at auctions so she knows what she's doing.

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32. Stir up a hornets' nest:- To make trouble, cause a commotion (समस्या पैदा करना)



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Eg:- According to my brother Pankaj, She was asking a lot of questions and stirring up a hornet's nest around town.

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33. Face the music :- Get reprimanded / be punished (डॉट खाना)

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Eg – The children broke the pane while playing and had to face the music for doing so.

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34. To rain cats and dogs:- raining very heavily (बहुत तेज़ बारिश होना)



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Eg:- We wanted to play football, but now it's raining cats and dogs, so we decided to stay inside.”

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35. To take a bull by the horns:- To deal with a difficult situation in a very direct or confident way (किसी कठिन परिस्थिति से आत्मविश्वास से निपटना)

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Eg:- She decided to take the bull by the horns and try to solve the problem without any further delay.

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36. Call it a day:- stop working (काम करना बंद करना)

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Eg:- After 14 years living and working in this country, she thinks it's time to call it a day.

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37. Once in a blue moon :- Very rare (केवल कभी कभी)



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Eg:- I have only 2 more months till my wedding, so I allow myself to eat fast food only once in a blue moon.

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38. Under the cloud:- Viewed with suspicion, distrust, or disapproval. (संदेह के घेरे में होना)

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Eg:- The driver was under suspicion after the police found blood on his car.

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39. A perfect storm:- The worst possible situation (सबसे खराब स्थिति)



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Eg:- The past two years have been a perfect storm for the travel industry.

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40. **Bad blood:-** Enmity/angry feeling (आपसी दुश्मनी)

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Eg - There has been bad blood between the two families for years.

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41. As dead as a doornail :- completely obsolete/
Totally or assuredly dead (पूरी तरह से अप्रचलित/मरा हुआ)



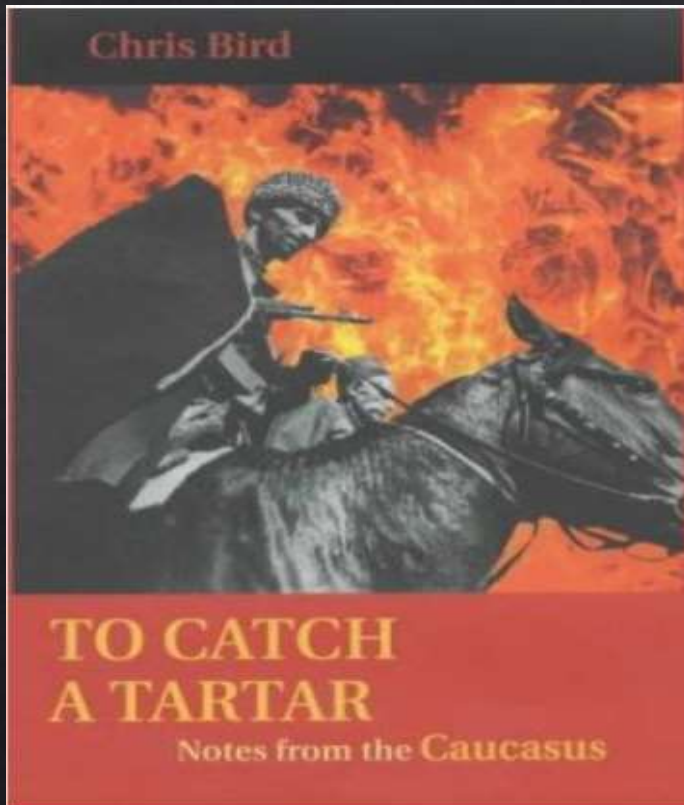
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Eg:- Ah! the poor man is as dead as a doornail at this moment.

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42. Catch a tarter:- to encounter with someone that proves more powerful or troublesome. (अपने से ज्यादा ताकतवर से सामना करना)

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Eg:- While fighting with the Indian Army, the enemy realized that they had caught a Tartar.

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43. Cut corners :- to do something in the easiest, cheapest, or fastest way: (कत्ती काटना)



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Eg:- It is certainly not a sensible to cut corners on your children's education.”

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44. Hit the jackpot :- to win the largest prize in a competition or game./ to achieve great success. (भाग खुलना)

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Eg;- We're going to hit the jackpot with the new software we've developed.

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45. True colours :- true personality./ the kind of person someone really is rather than what the person seems to be: (सच्चा व्यक्तित्व)

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Eg:- I thought he was a really sweet guy, but then he got mad and showed his true colors.

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46. Bird`s eye view :- the ability to look at something from a very high place so that you see a large area below you: (सरसरी नज़र से देखना)

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Ex :- From the top of this building, you can get a bird's-eye view of the city.

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47. Take something with a grain of salt :- to understand that something is likely to be untrue or incorrect. (किसी भी चीज को संदेह के साथ स्वीकार करना)

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Ex- You have to take everything she says with a grain of salt, because she tends to exaggerate.

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48. Get up on the wrong side of the bed :- start the day in a bad mood, which continues all day long. (दिन की शुरुआत खराब होना)

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Eg – My father got up on the wrong side of bed, and he's been grumpy on me all day.

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49. Speak one's mind :- to say what you think about something very directly: (अपने मन की बात कहता है)

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Eg:- She has very strong opinions and she's not afraid to speak her mind.

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50. Pass the buck:- shift the responsibility for something to someone else .(अपनी जिम्मेदारी किसी और को सौंपना।)



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Eg. – She's always trying to pass the buck and I'm sick of it!

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51. Chew the cud :- to think slowly and carefully about something: (सोच विचार करना)

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Eg:- Shelley has been chewing the cud for a few days but still has not decided to quit the job.

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52. Apple pie order :- In perfect order (एकदम ठीक हालत में)



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Eg - They found everything in
apple-pie order.

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53. Pipe dream:- an idea or plan that is impossible or very unlikely to happen: (एक ऐसा सपना जो कभी पूरा नहीं हो सकता)

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Eg:- Her plans are not realistic - they'll never be more than a pipe dream.

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54. At cross purposes:- Disagreeing with each other's ideas (एक दूसरे के विचारों से असहमत होना)

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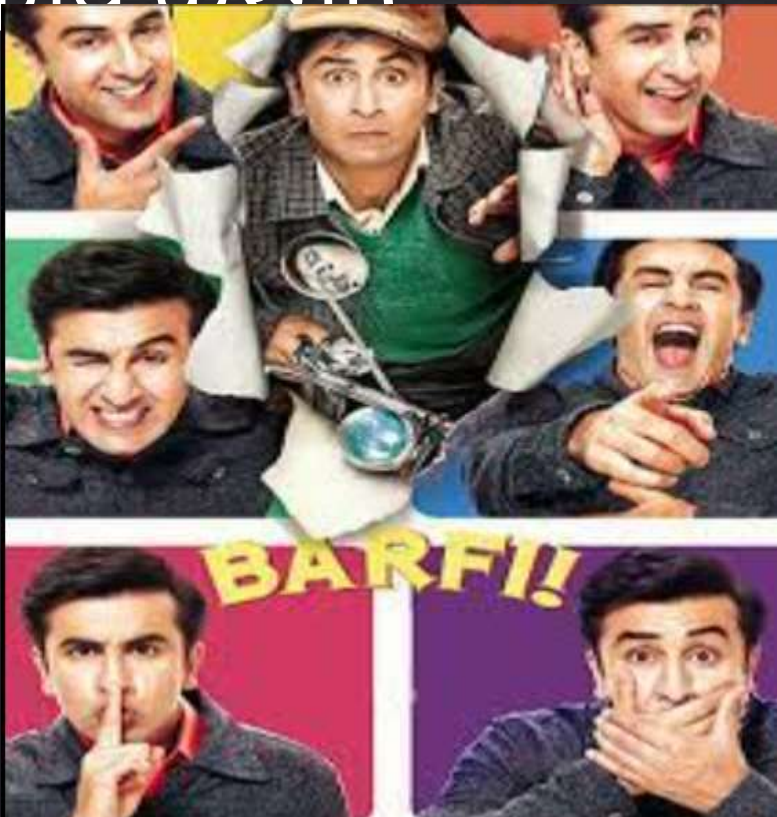
Eg:- It became clear that they were talking at cross-purposes.

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55. Play/Do something by the ear :- to decide what to do when you know what is happening, rather than planning in advance: (किसी परिस्थिति में उसी के अनुसार कार्य करना)

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Ex- We can't make a decision yet. Let's just play it by ear.

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56. You snooze, you lose:- If you are not alert, you are likely to miss opportunities. (सतर्कता के अभाव में अवसर गंवाना)

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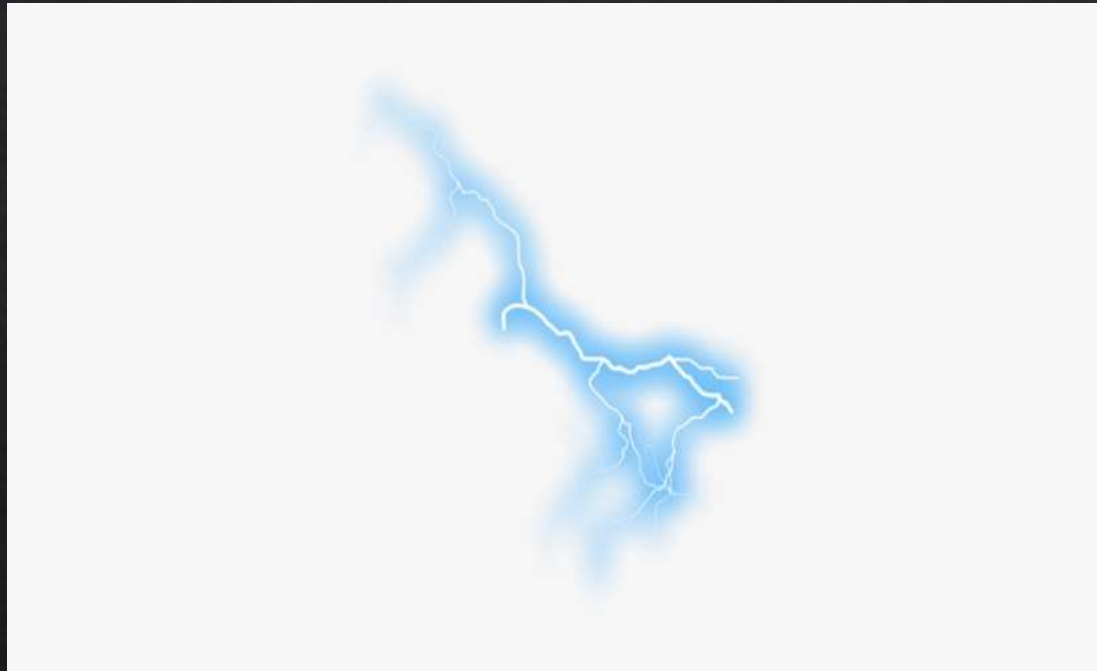


Eg:- You have to take advantage of those deals while you can. It's a case of "you snooze you lose" in the current market.

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57. Out of the blue:- Unexpectedly (अप्रत्याशित रूप से)

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Eg:- One day, out of the blue, she announced that she was leaving.

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58. Tread/Skate on thin ice:- To be in a dangerous risky position (खतरनाक जोखिम भरी स्थिति में होना)

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Eg:- He's skating on thin ice by lying to the police.

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59. No smoke without fire/where there's smoke there's fire:- there is always some truth behind a rumour or bad thing.
(बिना आग के धुआं नहीं होता/कोई भी चीज बिना कारण नहीं होती)

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Ex- She says the accusations are not true, but there's no smoke without fire.

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60. In a soup :- In trouble (मुसीबत में)



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Eg:- He'll be in the soup when the truth comes out.

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61. Familiarity breeds contempt:- used to say that if you know someone very well you stop respecting them because you have seen all of their bad qualities. (जितना ज्यादा हम किसी को जानने लगते हैं, उतनी ही उसमें कमियां नजर आने लगती हैं)



Eg;- After working in the same company with her for so many years he hates even her name, just because familiarity breeds contempt.

62. To throw/pour cold water on :- To criticize someone's opinions or ideas and stop people believing them or being excited about them. हतोत्साहित करना



Ex- Her parents threw cold water on her dream of becoming a poet.

63. First and foremost :- most importantly; more than anything else. (सबसे महत्वपूर्ण)

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Ex- In spite of being elected to office, she remains first and foremost a writer.

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64. A hard nut to crack :- a problem that is difficult to solve
(कठिन समस्या).

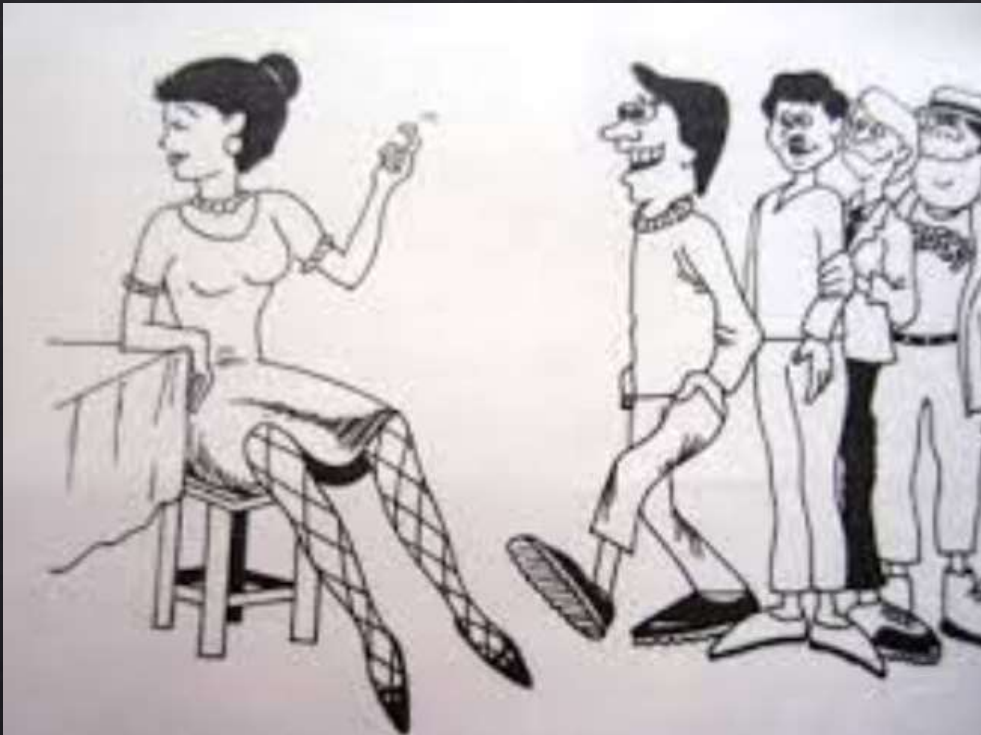
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Ex - Mathematics turned out to be a hard nut to crack for students in the examination.

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65. Dance attendance :- to do everything that someone asks you to and treat them in a special way: (सेवा में तैयार रहना)

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Ex- I can't stand the way he has to have someone dancing attendance on him the whole time.

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