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English Vocabulary - Idioms

English

Q:1 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Cold comfort

1. In a state of suspense and anxiety
2. To face the risk
3. Scarce consolation
4. Strict rules

Q:2 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Be all at sea

1. To dwell on the same subject
2. To be completely lost
3. To remain faithful to the cause
4. To be very happy

Q:3 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

To take to one's heels

1. To walk slowly
2. To run away
3. Reversing the order or procedure of something
4. Make money unfairly

Q:4 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

To bite the dust

1. Eat voraciously
2. Have nothing to eat
3. Finding faults in a gift or favour
4. Fail or come to an end

Q:5 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Piece of cake

1. Something very difficult
2. Something very tasty
3. Something very easy
4. Something very soft

Q:6 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

A snake in the grass

1. Cowardly and brutal
2. Low and mean
3. An unreliable person
4. A hidden enemy



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Answer Key

1. (3)	2. (2)	3. (2)	4. (4)	5. (3)
6. (4)				

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Scarce consolation**.

- In the given question, we need to select the meaning of the given **idiom**.
- An **IDIOM** refers to 'a group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words'.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given idiom:-

- **Cold comfort**- something that improves a difficult situation slightly; insufficient ease, sympathy, or encouragement.
- **For example:-** His statement will be very **cold comfort** to industrialists and to those engaged in the industry.

The meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option hence, it will be correct.

Q:2 The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **To be completely lost**.

- In the given question, we need to select the meaning of the given **idiom**.
- An **IDIOM** refers to 'a group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words'.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given idiom:-

- **Be all at sea**- to be greatly puzzled, perplexed, or completely confused (about something or in some situation); completely lost or deeply confused.
- **For example:-** I tried to do well in this class, but I've been **all at sea** since we started.

The meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option hence, it will be correct.

Q:3 The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **To run away**.

- In the given question, we need to select the meaning of the given **idiom**.
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Let's have a look at the meaning of the given idiom:-

- **To take to one's heels**- To flee or run away.
- **For example:-** They **took to their heels** when they saw the policeman approaching.

The meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option hence, it will be correct.

Q:4 The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Fail or come to an end**.

- In the given question, we need to select the meaning of the given **idiom**.
- An **IDIOM** refers to 'a group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words'.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given idiom:-

- **To bite the dust**- Fail or come to an end.
- **For example:-** I am not going to **bite the dust** so easily because throughout my life I have been a fighter.

The meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option hence, it will be correct.

Q:5 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. **Something very easy**.

- In the given question, we need to select the meaning of the given **idiom**.
- An **IDIOM** refers to 'a group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words'.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given idiom:-

- **Piece of cake** - Something very soft.
- **For example:-** The exam was **a piece of cake**.

The meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option hence, it will be correct.

Q:6 The correct answer is option 4 i.e. **A hidden enemy**.

- In the given question, we need to select the meaning of the given **idiom**.
- An **IDIOM** refers to 'a group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words'.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given idiom:-



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- **A snake in the grass**- A hidden enemy.
- **For example:-** I thought he was a snake in the grass.

The meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option hence, it will be correct.

