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- An **idiom** is a word or phrase that has a special meaning different from its standard or dictionary meaning.
- For example, “going to make it” means something will live, not whether something will be made.

Underline the idiom in each sentence. Then rewrite the sentence to show the meaning of the idiom. The first one is done for you.

1. Peter’s mom works in the afternoons to help her husband make ends meet.
Peter’s mom works in the afternoons to help her husband have enough money to pay all the bills.

2. My sister was very sick last winter, but thankfully she pulled through.

3. The bank robbers made off with almost a hundred thousand dollars.

4. We had better shake a leg. I think I see the bus coming!

5. The fact that Janet is a good swimmer is beside the point. She should have asked her mother if she could go to the lake.

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At Home: Use each of the idioms in a sentence.

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An **idiom** is a phrase that cannot be understood from the meaning of the separate words in it. You can often find idioms in the dictionary.

A. Match each idiom to what it means. Then write the correct letter on the line provided.

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| 1. _____ At the eleventh hour | a. decide something quickly without thinking about it |
| 2. _____ Beat around the bush | b. forever |
| 3. _____ Jump to a conclusion | c. avoiding an issue or avoiding giving an answer |
| 4. _____ Until you're blue in the face | d. at the last minute |

B. Circle the idiom in each sentence. Write the meaning of the idiom on the next line.

5. It's important to keep your chin up even if your team is losing the big game.

6. My best friend moved far away so I am feeling blue.

7. Jose is a go-getter so it wasn't a shock when he was elected student president.

8. Rain or shine the picnic will happen tomorrow.

