

Idiomatic Expressions

What are idioms?

Definition

An idiom (also called idiomatic expression) is an expression, word, or phrase that has a figurative meaning conventionally understood by native speakers. This meaning is different from the literal meaning of the idiom's individual elements. In other words, idioms don't mean exactly what the words say. They have, however, hidden meaning.

back the wrong horse

to support someone or something that later cannot be successful.

Don't back the wrong horse! You know he cannot win the elections.

backseat driver

1. A passenger in a car who insists on giving the driver directions.
2. Anybody offering unsolicited or unwelcome advice.

My brother is such a backseat driver. I hate traveling with him.

bad blood

unpleasant feeling between different people.

There is bad blood between Nancy and Leila. They are rarely in good terms with each other.

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