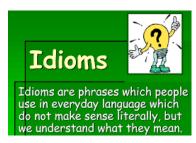
Idiom Quilt Challenge



Below are idioms with their definitions. Please make a quilt that measures 24"x36" which represents one of the idioms. You can use any technique you like, pieced, appliquéd, or both. You may use any colors you like, but must include black and white, and there should be enough black and white fabrics mixed into the colors so that the black and white are recognizable. No borders are allowed on the quilt. You may add any embellishments you would like. The quilt will be due at the June Potluck meeting.

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A hot potato

Speak of an issue (mostly current) which many people are talking about and which is usually disputed

A penny for your thoughts

A way of asking what someone is thinking

Actions speak louder than words

People's intentions can be judged better by what they do than what they say

Add insult to injury

To further a loss with mockery or indignity, to worsen an unfavorable situation

At the drop of a hat

Without any hesitation, instantly

Back to the drawing board

When an attempt fails and it's time to start all over

Ball is in your court

It is up to you to make the next decision or step

Barking up the wrong tree

Looking in the wrong place, accusing the wrong person

Be glad to see the back of

Be happy when a person leaves

Beat around the bush

Avoiding the main topic, not speaking directly about the issue

Best of both worlds

All the advantages

Best thing since sliced bread

A good invention or innovation, a good idea or plan

Bite off more than you can chew

To take on a task that is way too big

Blessing in disguise

Something good that isn't recognized at first

Burn the midnight oil

To work late into the night, alluding to the time before electric lighting

Can't judge a book by its cover

Cannot judge something primarily on appearance

Caught between two stools

When someone finds it difficult to choose between two alternatives

Costs an arm and a leg

Something is very expensive

Cross that bridge when you come to it

Deal with a problem if and when it becomes necessary, not before

Cry over spilt milk

When you complain about a loss from the past

Curiosity killed the cat

Being inquisitive can lead you into an unpleasant situation

Cut corners

When something is done badly to save money

Devil's Advocate

To present a counter argument

Don't count your chickens before the eggs have hatched

Don't make plans for things that might not happen

Don't give up the day job

You are not very good at something, you could definitely not do it professionally

Don't put all your eggs in one basket

Don't put all your resources in one possibility