

BUSINESS IDIOMS-ONE

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EXERCISE ONE

Complete the sentences below with the words in the box. If you don't know, just guess!

ball, bar, boat, box, bridge, feet, gun, toes, horns, horses
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1. Miss the _____
2. Land on your _____
3. Take the bull by the _____
4. Think out of the _____
5. Water under the _____
6. Raise the _____
7. Hold your _____
8. Jump the _____
9. Drop the _____
10. Stay on your _____

EXERCISE TWO

Match the idioms with their meanings.

IDIOMS

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MEANINGS

- A) Do something too soon.
- B) Make a mistake, do something in a stupid way.
- C) It's in the past now.
- D) Make something more difficult.
- E) Keep awake and alert!
- F) Be successful in a new situation or job.
- G) Be too late for something.
- H) Use your mind in a new, unconventional way.
- I) Confront and deal with a difficult situation.
- J) Don't be so fast!

EXERCISE THREE

Complete the sentences below with the correct idiom from the table above. In *some* sentences you'll need to change the verb form or verb tense of the idioms.

- 1) You shouldn't _____ and resign before you find another job.
- 2) The best inventions are made by people who like to _____.
- 3) Sure, we have had our disagreements in the past, but that's _____ now.
- 4) He knew that to ask for higher pay would displease his boss, but anyway he decided to _____.

5) Since you've lived in a very small town your whole life, I was surprised how quickly you were able to _____ after moving to London.

6) We lost the contract because my coworkers _____ and didn't submit all the necessary documents for the proposal.

7) There were tickets available last week, but he _____ by waiting till today to try to buy some.

8) Would you _____ for a moment? I can't think when you're pressuring me to hurry.

9) You should always be _____; you never know when someone will try and steal your bag.

10) The athlete just kept _____ with every record he broke.

EXERCISE FOUR

Write three sentences of your own sentences using one of the idioms above in each one.