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All Idioms Asked In SSC CGL

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1. Lily-livered:- weak and cowardly (बहुत डरपोक या बुज़दिल)



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Eg:- I've never met anyone as lily-livered as you are.

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2. To kick the bucket :- to die (मृत्यु हो जाना, मरना)

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Eg: Every one of us will kick the bucket someday.

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3. Miss the boat:- to miss an opportunity. (अवसर या मौका गँवाना)

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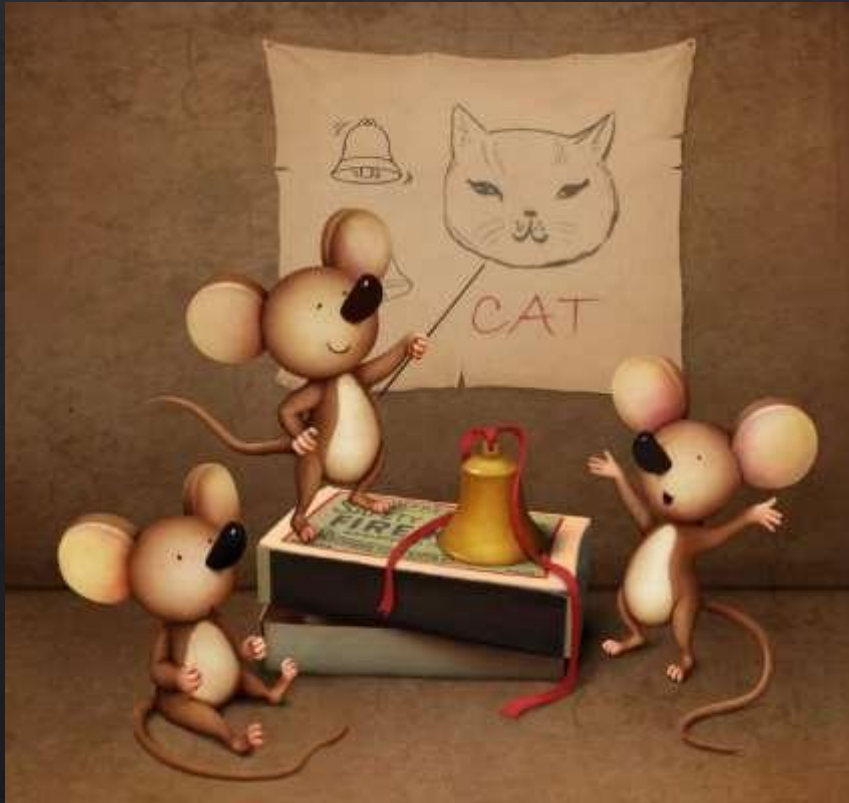
Eg:- Here were tickets available last week, but he missed the boat by waiting till today to try to buy some.



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5. To bell the cat :- To face risk. (जोखिम भरा काम करना)

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Eg:- Your suggestion is very good but the problem is that who is going to bell the cat?

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Q6. A storm in a teacup - A situation in which people are very angry or upset about something that is not important. (छोटी बात का बतंगड़)

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Eg:- I think this is all a storm in a teacup, and there is nothing to worry about.

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7. Sharp practice:- Crafty or deceitful dealings, especially in business. (बेईमानी भरा व्यवहार)

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Eg:- That woman's known for her sharp practice, so I'd rather not deal with her.

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8. Rule to roost:- To dominate (पूरा नियंत्रण या अधिकार)



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Eg:- In his family it is his grandmother who rules the roost.

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9. Keep someone at arm's length:- to not allow someone to become too friendly with you. (दूरी बनाए रखना, बचना)



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Eg.

They no longer trust her and are keeping her at arm's length.

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10. To tie someone (up) in knots :- to confuse someone and make them unable to explain something clearly: (पूरी तरह उलझा देना)

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Eg-

The interviewer tied me up in knots by asking tricky questions.

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11. Scrape the barrel:- To do something that you do not want to do because you have no other option.

(सबसे घटिया विकल्प चुनना)



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Eg:- Sonali was scrapping the barrel when she had to live for six months with her friend when she lost her job.

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12. A dime a dozen :- Very common and of no particular value. (बहुत ही आम या साधारण)



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Eg – Cheap watches like this flooded the market. You can get them dime a dozen.

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13. Beat about the bush:- To avoid getting to the point of an issue. (घुमा-फिराकर बातें करना)

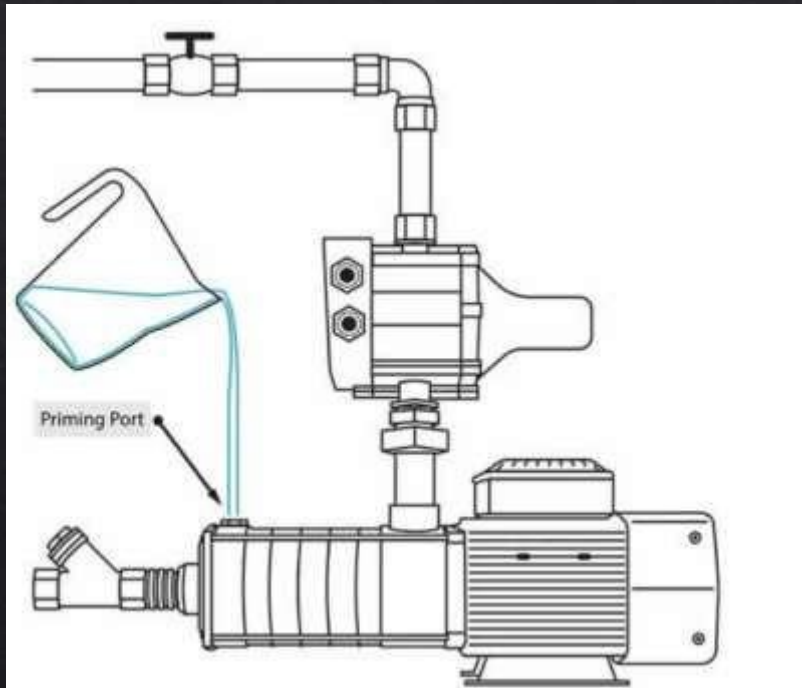
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Eg:- Quit beating around the bush and say what's on your mind.

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14. To prime the pump:- stimulate the growth or success of something by doing something, usually, supplying it with money. (सफलता हेतु निवेश करना)

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Eg:- Spring is the time when the government primes the pump to help farmers prepare their fields.

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15. Back against the wall:- Be in a difficult situation from where escape is difficult (कठिन परिस्थिति में फँसना)

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Eg:- I wish I could help you, but my back is against the wall because I don't get paid for two more weeks.

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16. To walk on the air:- to feel extremely excited or happy
(अत्यधिक खुश होना)

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Eg- After he won the election,
was walking on air.

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17. Bad iron :- Bad luck (किस्मत खराब होना)



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Eg:- I've been having a bit of bad iron so far this morning: I lost my wallet, my keys, and then my phone.

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18. By the skin of your teeth:- Just barely/ by a very narrow margin; only just. (बहुत ही मामूली अंतर से)

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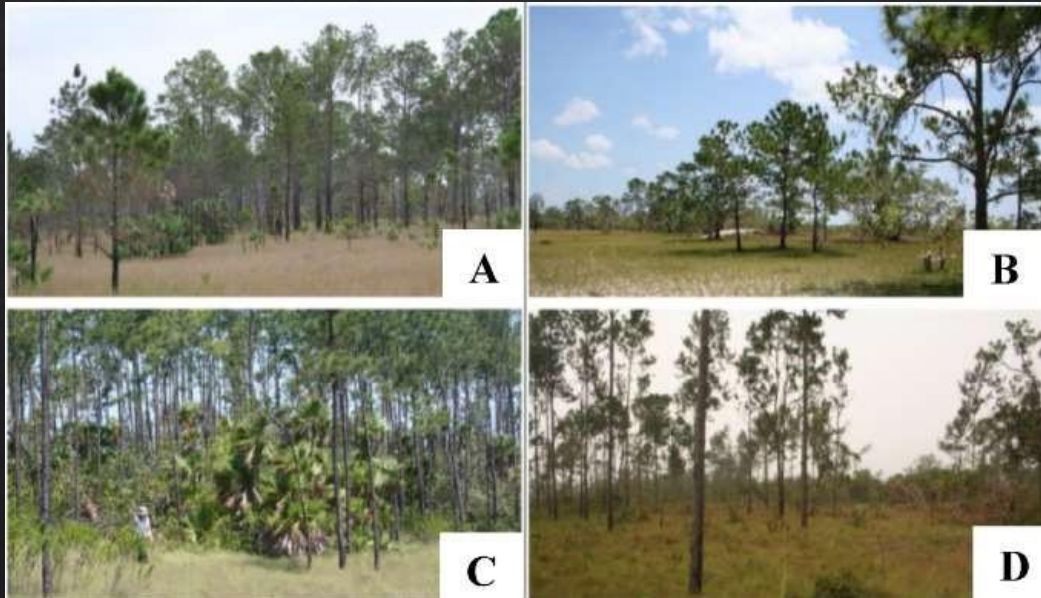


Eg:- I ran into the airport and caught the plane by the skin of my teeth.

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19. Through thick and thin:- under all circumstances, no matter how difficult. (हर अच्छे-बुरे समय में)

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Eg:- My best friend has supported me through thick and thin.

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20. Blessing in disguise:- Something that seems bad or unlucky at first but causes something good to happen later:
(आफत में छिपी खुशी)

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Eg:- Being laid off was a blessing in disguise – within a month I got a much better job.

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21. To be in two minds:- To be uncertain (दुविधा या उलझन में होना)

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Eg:- I was of two minds about whether or not to come this morning.

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22. Fall foul of :- to get into trouble because of failing to do what is required by (the law, a rule, etc.) (झगड़ा या विवाद होना)

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Eg:- I fell foul of the committee, and now I'm not sure how to improve my reputation.

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23. Gift of the gab:- the ability to speak with eloquence and fluency. (बोलने की बेहतरीन कला)



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Eg:- She's got the gift of the gab - she should work in sales and marketing.

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Q24. Get into a scrape:- Involved in a problem (मुश्किल
या फजीहत में फँसना)

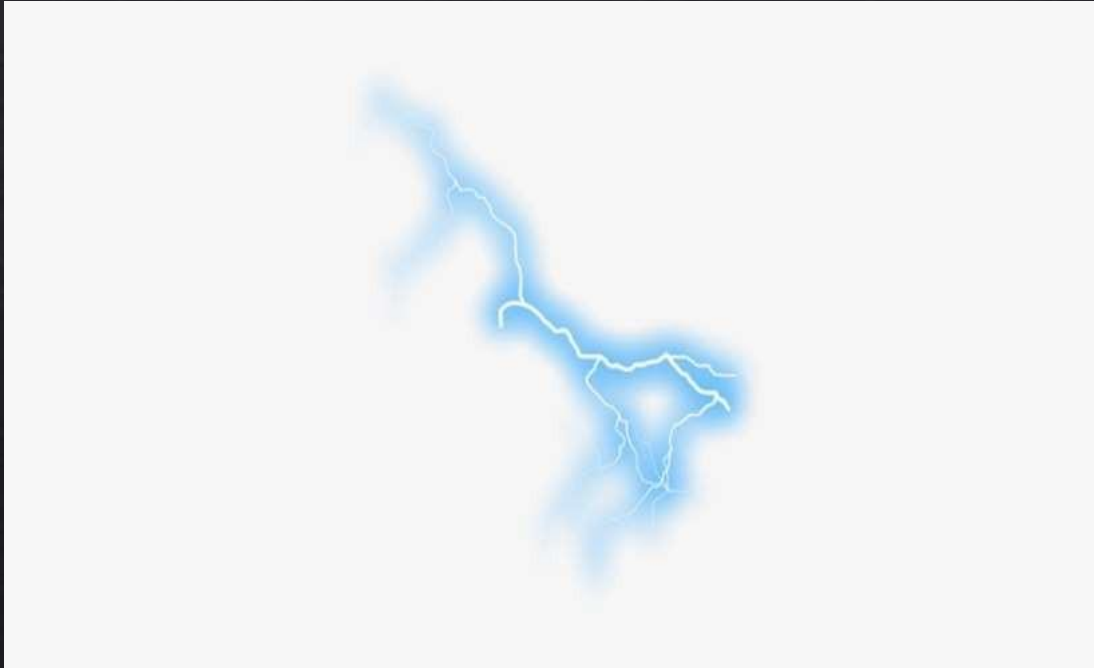


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Eg:- He got into a scrap by
embezzling public funds.

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25. A bolt from the blue:- A complete surprise /an unexpected disaster. (अचानक आई बड़ी मुसीबत)



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Eg – The resignation of the chairman came like a bolt from the blue.

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26. Blow something out of proportion :- to treat a particular event or problem far too seriously (बात को बहुत बढ़ा देना)

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Eg:- It's ridiculous - we have a tiny disagreement and you blow the whole thing out of proportion!

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27. To go to the dogs :- To become worse.

(पूरी तरह बर्बाद होना)



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Eg:- After his father's death, their business went to the dogs.

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28. Up the creek :- In trouble, in a serious predicament.
(बड़ी मुसीबत में होना)

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Eg: If the check doesn't arrive today I'm up a creek.

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29. Back to the drawing board:- to plan it all over again
(शुरू से नई योजना बनाना)



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Eg- The government must go back to the drawing board and whole issue of youth training.

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30. Jumped the gun:- to do something too soon, especially without thinking carefully about it: (बिना सोचे जल्दबाजी करना)

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Eg: They've only just met - isn't it jumping the gun to be talking about marriage already?

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31. Be on the ball:- to be quick to understand and react to things./ be alert to new ideas, methods, and trends. (सतर्क और जानकार होना)

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Eg:- She really is on the ball; she's bought houses at auctions so she knows what she's doing.

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32. Stir up a hornets' nest:- To make trouble, cause a commotion (मुसीबत या विवाद मोल लेना)



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Eg:- According to my brother Pankaj, She was asking a lot of questions and stirring up a hornet's nest around town.

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33. Face the music :- Get reprimanded / be punished
(किए का परिणाम भुगतना)

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Eg – The children broke the pane while playing and had to face the music for doing so.

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34. To rain cats and dogs:- raining very heavily (मूसलाधार या तेज़ बारिश)



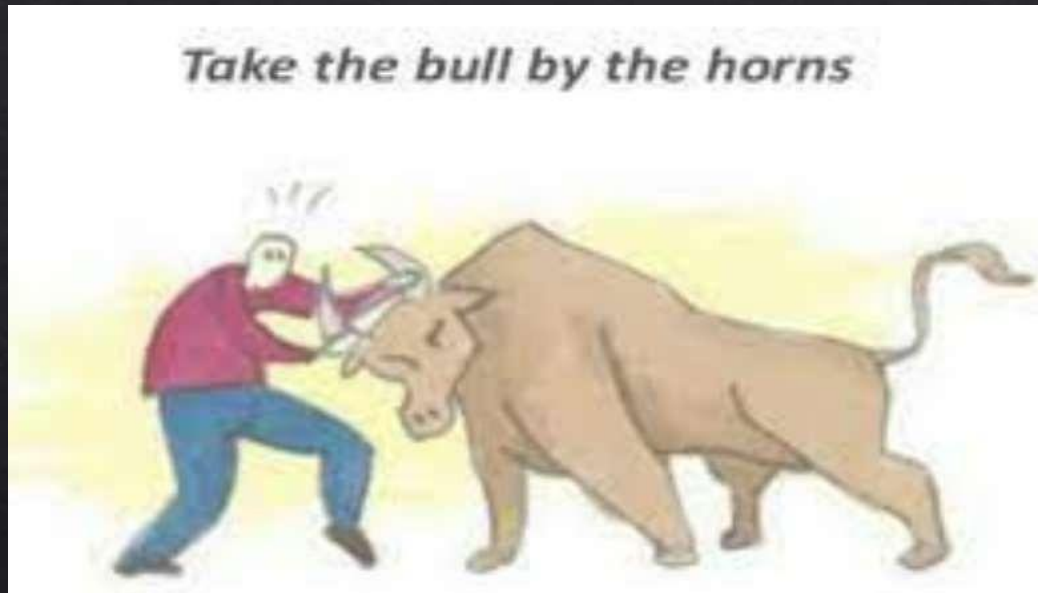
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Eg:- We wanted to play football, but now it's raining cats and dogs, so we decided to stay inside.”

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35. To take a bull by the horns:- To deal with a difficult situation in a very direct or confident way (मुसीबत का डटकर सामना)

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Eg:- She decided to take the bull by the horns and try to solve the problem without any further delay. AMAN SIR ENGLISH

36. Call it a day:- stop working (काम बंद करना, छुट्टी करना)

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Eg:- After 14 years living and working in this country, she thinks it's time to call it a day.

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37. Once in a blue moon :- Very rare (कभी-कभार होने वाली घटना)



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Eg:- I have only 2 more months till my wedding, so I allow myself to eat fast food only once in a blue moon.

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38. Under the cloud:- Viewed with suspicion, distrust, or disapproval. (शक के घेरे में होना)

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Eg:- The driver was under suspicion after the police found blood on his car.

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39. A perfect storm:- The worst possible situation
(एक साथ कई मुसीबतें)



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Eg:- The past two years have been a perfect storm for the travel industry.

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40. Bad blood:- Enmity/angry feeling (पुरानी दुश्मनी या नफरत)

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Eg - There has been bad blood between the two families for years.

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41. As dead as a doornail :- completely obsolete/
Totally or assuredly dead (पूरी तरह निर्जीव या खत्म)



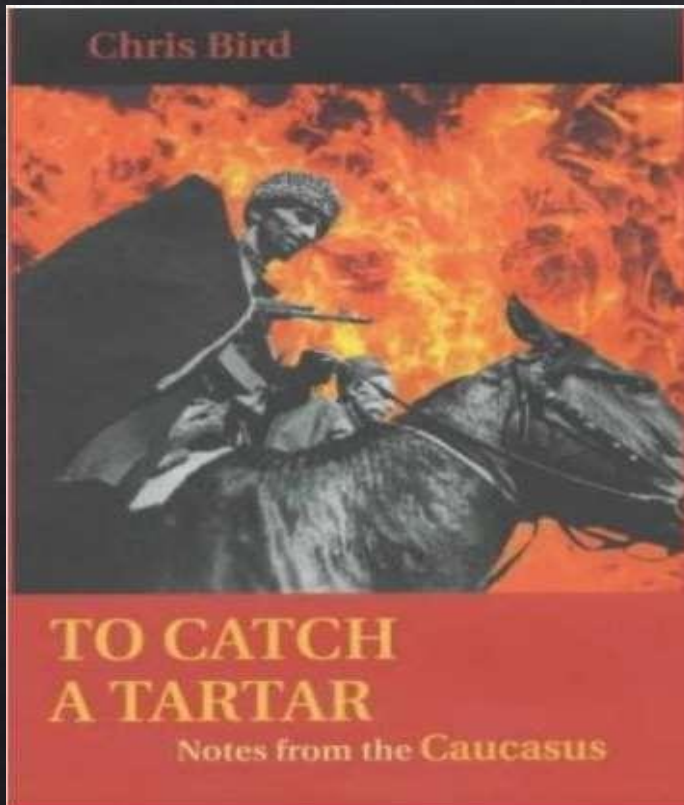
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Eg:- Ah! the poor man is as
dead as a doornail at this
moment.

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42. Catch a tarter:- to encounter with someone that proves more powerful or troublesome. (ज़बरदस्त विरोधी से टकराना)

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Eg:- While fighting with the Indian Army, the enemy realized that they had caught a Tartar.

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43. Cut corners :- to do something in the easiest, cheapest, or fastest way (पैसे/समय बचाने हेतु लापरवाही)



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Eg:- It is certainly not a sensible to cut corners on your children's education.”

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44. Hit the jackpot :- to win the largest prize in a competition or game./ to achieve great success. (बड़ी सफलता या लाभ पाना)

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Eg;- We're going to hit the jackpot with the new software we've developed.

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45. True colours :- true personality./ the kind of person someone really is rather than what the person seems to be: (असली चेहरा या स्वभाव)

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Eg:- I thought he was a really sweet guy, but then he got mad and showed his true colors.

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46. Bird's eye view :- the ability to look at something from a very high place so that you see a large area below you: (ऊपर से सरसरी नज़ारा)

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Eg: From the top of this building, you can get a bird's-eye view of the city.

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47. Take something with a grain of salt :- to understand that something is likely to be untrue or incorrect. (संदेह के साथ मानना)



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Eg: You have to take everything she says with a grain of salt, because she tends to exaggerate.

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48. Get up on the wrong side of the bed :- start the day in a bad mood, which continues all day long. (चिड़चिड़े मूड में होना)

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Eg – My father got up on the wrong side of bed, and he's been grumpy on me all day.

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49. Speak one's mind :- to say what you think about something very directly: (मन की बात साफ कहना)

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Eg:- She has very strong opinions and she's not afraid to speak her mind.

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50. Pass the buck:- shift the responsibility for something to someone else (अपनी ज़िम्मेदारी दूसरों पर डालना)



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Eg. – She's always trying to pass the buck and I'm sick of it!

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51. Chew the cud :- to think slowly and carefully about something: (गहराई से विचार करना)

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Eg:- Shelley has been chewing the cud for a few days but still has not decided to quit the job.

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52. Apple pie order :- In perfect order (बिल्कुल व्यवस्थित ढंग से)



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Eg - They found everything in
apple-pie order.

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53. Pipe dream:- an idea or plan that is impossible or very unlikely to happen: (असंभव या काल्पनिक योजना)

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Eg:- Her plans are not realistic - they'll never be more than a pipe dream.

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54. At cross purposes:- Disagreeing with each other's ideas (विरोधी लक्ष्यों के साथ काम)

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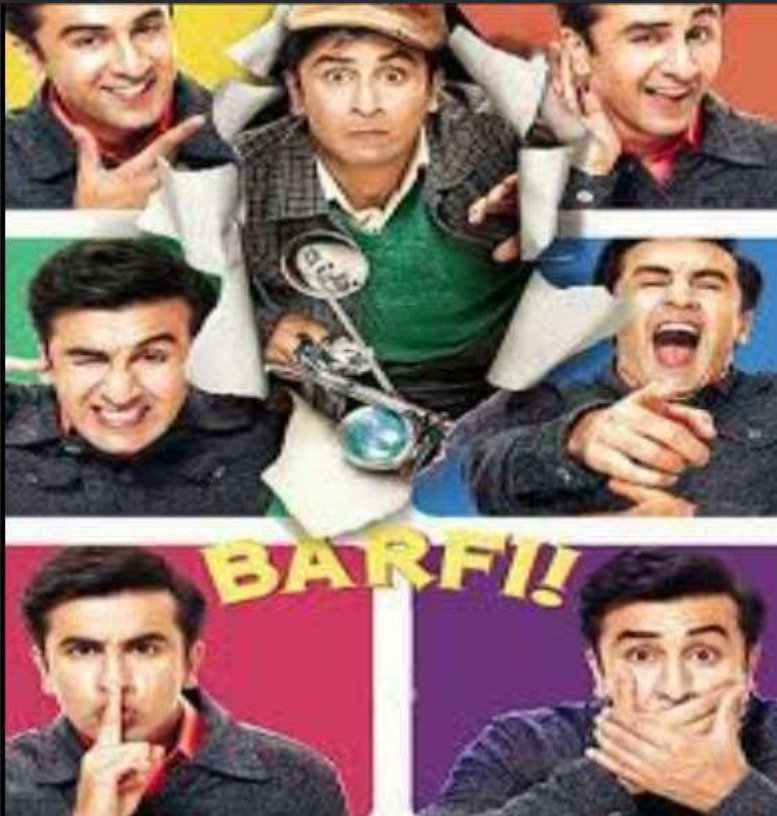


Eg:- It became clear that they were talking at cross-purposes.

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55. Play/Do something by the ear :- to decide what to do when you know what is happening, rather than planning in advance: (परिस्थिति अनुसार काम करना)

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Eg: We can't make a decision yet. Let's just play it by ear.

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56. You snooze, you lose:- If you are not alert, you are likely to miss opportunities. (सावधानी हटी, दुर्घटना घटी)

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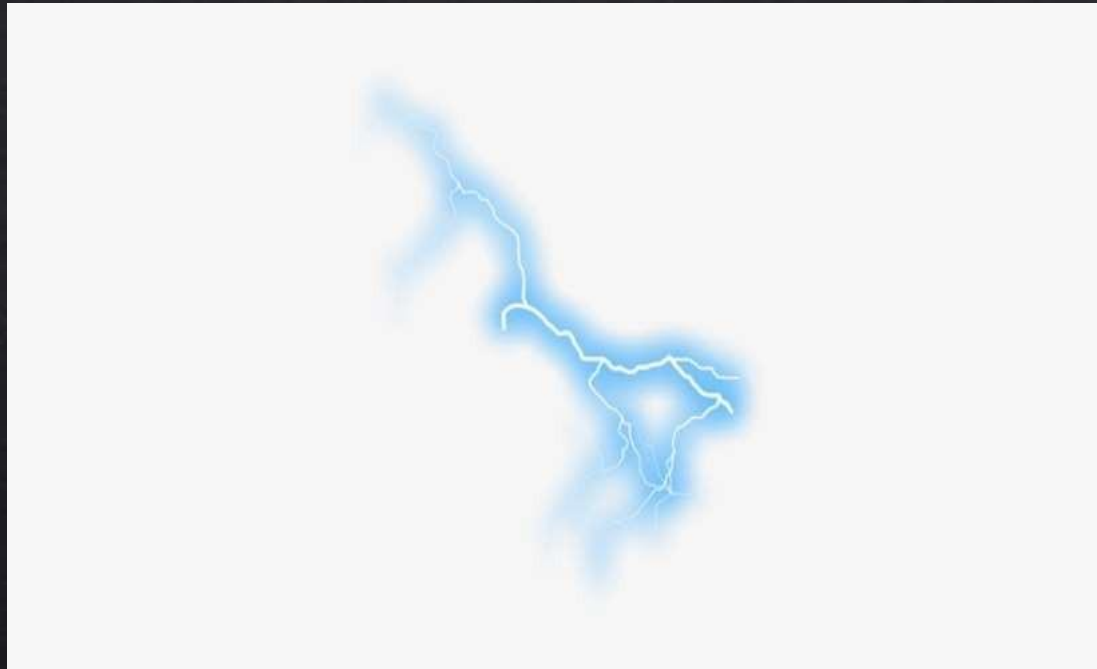


Eg:- You have to take advantage of those deals while you can. It's a case of "you snooze you lose" in the current market.

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57. Out of the blue:- Unexpectedly (एकाएक या अचानक होना)

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Eg:- One day, out of the blue, she announced that she was leaving.

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58. Tread/Skate on thin ice:- To be in a dangerous risky position (खतरे मोल लेना)

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Eg:- He's skating on thin ice by lying to the police.

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59. No smoke without fire/where there's smoke there's fire:- there is always some truth behind a rumour or bad thing.
(बिना कारण चर्चा नहीं होती)

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Eg: She says the accusations are not true, but there's no smoke without fire.

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60. In a soup :- In trouble (परेशानी या संकट में होना)



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Eg: He'll be in the soup when the truth comes out.

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61. Familiarity breeds contempt:- used to say that if you know someone very well you stop respecting them because you have seen all of their bad qualities. (ज़्यादा निकटता से सम्मान कम)

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Eg: After working in the same company with her for so many years he hates even her name, just because familiarity breeds contempt.

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62. To throw/pour cold water on :- To criticize someone's opinions or ideas and stop people believing them or being excited about them. (उत्साह पर पानी फेरना)

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Eg: Her parents threw cold water on her dream of becoming a poet.

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63. First and foremost :- most importantly; more than anything else. (सबसे पहले और महत्वपूर्ण)

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Eg: In spite of being elected to office, she remains first and foremost a writer.

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64. A hard nut to crack :- a problem that is difficult to solve
(कठिन समस्या या व्यक्ति)

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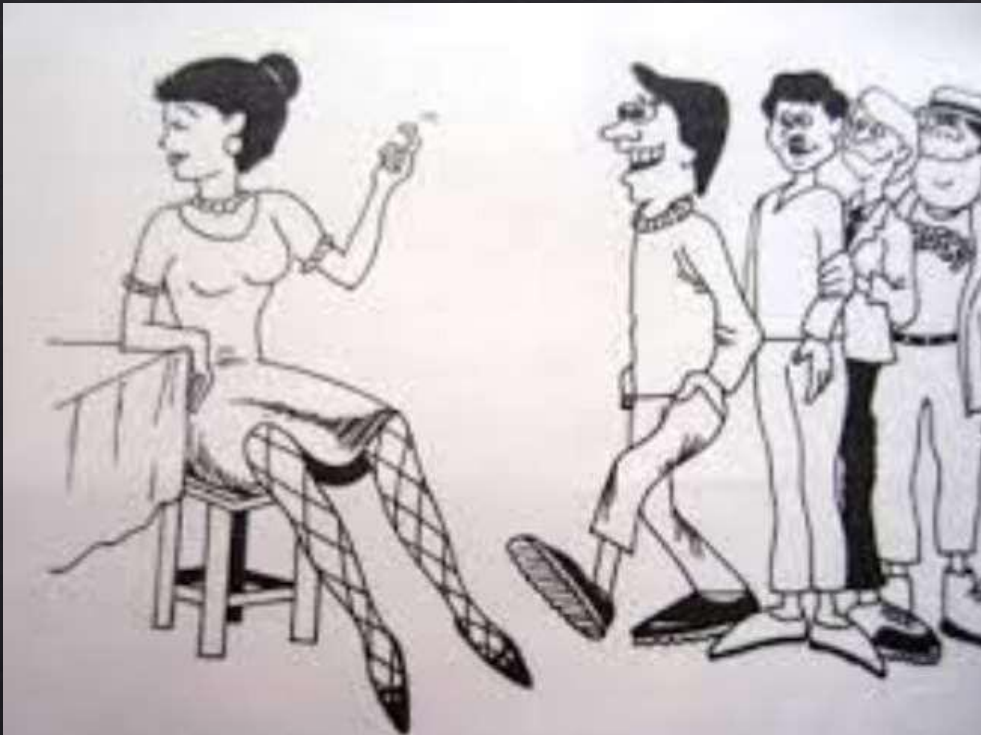


Eg: Mathematics turned out to be a hard nut to crack for students in the examination.

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65. Dance attendance :- to do everything that someone asks you to and treat them in a special way (चापलूसी या सेवा में रहना)

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Eg: I can't stand the way he has to have someone dancing attendance on him the whole time.

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