

**1. Everyone and his brother:-** A large number of people (बहुत बड़ी संख्या में लोग)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** Geez, everyone and his brother were riding the subway with me this morning. I could barely push through the crowd at my stop.

**2. Feel the pinch:-** Having financial problems all of a sudden (पैसों की किल्लत महसूस करना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** All the major companies are feeling the pinch this year. It's the worst financial downturn we've seen for a decade.

### 3. **The feathers fly**:- To fight and argue a lot (बहुत तेज़ झगड़ा होना)

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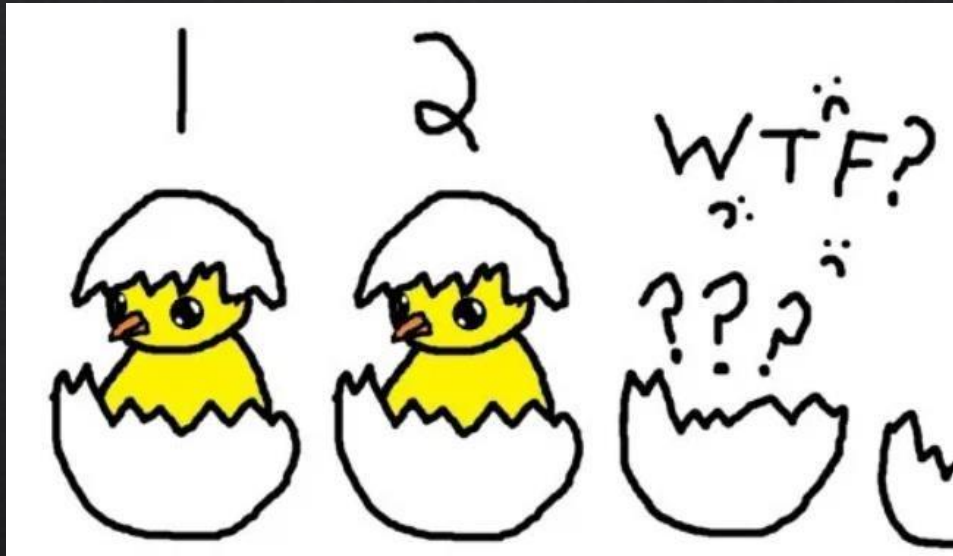
**Eg:-** They made the feathers fly over a trivial issue.

**4. A foregone conclusion:-** An inevitable result  
(निश्चित परिणाम, जो पहले से पता हो)



**Eg:-** Tom's failure in the final exam is a foregone conclusion because he didn't learn anything.

**5. Counting your chickens(before they hatch):-** assuming to be successful when it is not certain (काम पूरा होने से पहले लाभ गिनना)



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**Eg:-** I know you have motivated plans for your industrial endeavor, but don't count your chicken.

**6. The icing on the cake:-** extra benefit over and above an already good deal (सोने पर सुहागा)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** Everyone expected him to do well in the exams. Getting first rank was the icing on the cake.

**7. A stitch in time (saves nine) :-** timely action that prevents a negative outcome (समय पर सुधार मुसीबत टालता है)

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**Eg:-** John said to his brother, "You better bring your car to the shop while it's still running, because a stitch in time saves nine".

**8. At sixes and sevens:-** state of total confusion  
(पूरी तरह उलझन या तितर-बितर)



**Eg:-** After the president's announcement, we were all left at sixes and sevens.

## 9. Talking twenty to dozen:- talking hurriedly and rapidly (बहुत ही तेज़ी से बोलना)

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**Eg:-** My aunt can get talking twenty to the dozen if you get her on a topic she's passionate about.

**10. Be in eclipse:-** much less successful and important than before. (शक्ति या चमक खो देना)

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**Eg:-** Even when her career was temporarily in eclipse she had no financial worries.

**11. Ways and means:-** Methods of achieving something (काम पूरा करने के तरीके)

Aman Sir English

IF YOU REALLY  
WANT TO DO  
SOMETHING, YOU'LL  
FIND A WAY. IF YOU  
DON'T, YOU'LL FIND  
AN EXCUSE.  
- JIM ROHN

**Eg:-** We're here to discuss the goals of the project, not the ways and means.

## 12. **Big-ticket** :- Very costly (बहुत ही महंगी वस्तु)



**Eg:-** We've never had much money, so a brand new furniture set is something of a big- ticket item for us.

**13. Be a law unto yourself** :- Behave in an unconventional and unpredictable manner. (किसी की न सुनना, मनमर्जी करना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** She was a law unto herself and did what she wanted to do.

**14. Spiff up** :- to make someone or something look more stylish, or clean and tidy (खुद को सजाना या संवारना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** He's really spiffed up his wardrobe since he started his new job.

## 15. Run wild :- To grow without any control (नियंत्रण से बाहर हो जाना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** The mob was running wild in the streets.

**16. Wind down** :- to start to relax gradually after a period of hard work or a worrying situation: (आराम करना या धीरे-धीरे रुकना)

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**Eg:-** I sank into a hot bath in order to wind down.

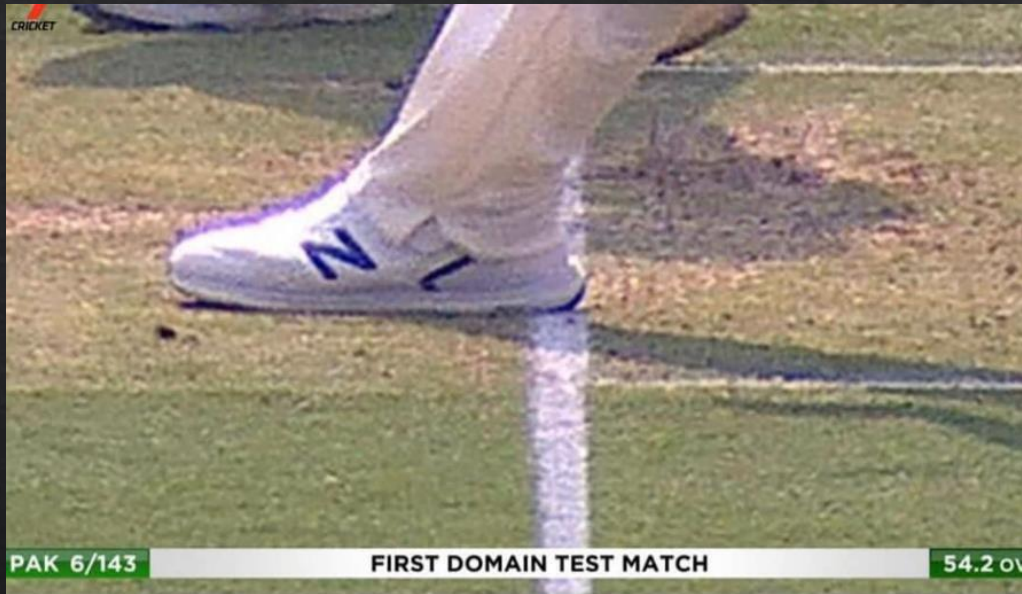
**17. Mellow out** :- To enjoy oneself without doing much (शांत और तनावमुक्त होना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** We had worked hard all morning, so in the afternoon we just listened to music and mellowed out.

**18. Overstep the mark:-** To upset someone by doing/saying more than you should (मर्यादा या सीमा पार करना) Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** She will lose her temper, if you overstep the mark.

## 19. Palsy-walsy :- Good friends (बहुत गहरा और घनिष्ठ मित्र)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** You should not try to get palsy-walsy with Henry because he is a criminal.

**20. Open a Pandora's box:-** To do something that causes a lot of new problems that you did not expect  
(नई मुसीबतें खड़ी करना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** This court case could open a Pandora's box of similar claims.

**21. Pull your socks up** :- Improve your work or behavior (अपने प्रदर्शन में सुधार करना)

Aman Sir English

**Eg:-** She has pulled her socks up and has promised me to complete the course.



**22. get under skin** :- To annoy someone/ to be irritating (बहुत ज़्यादा परेशान या इरिटेट करना)

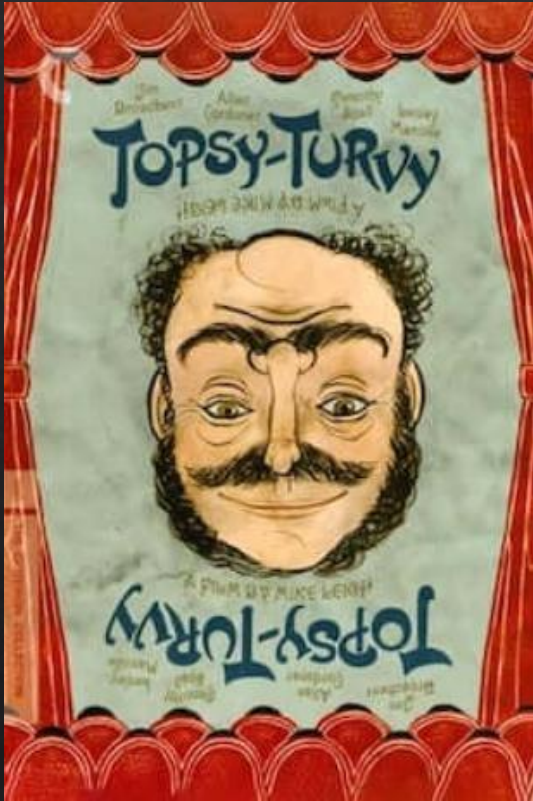
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**Eg:-** Initially I tried to ignore but she got under my skin.

**23. Turn topsy-turvy:-** To completely change something (पूरी तरह उल्टा-पुल्टा कर देना)

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**Eg:-** The garden is all topsy-turvy after last night's storm. The shed has blown over and the table and chairs are in the hedge.

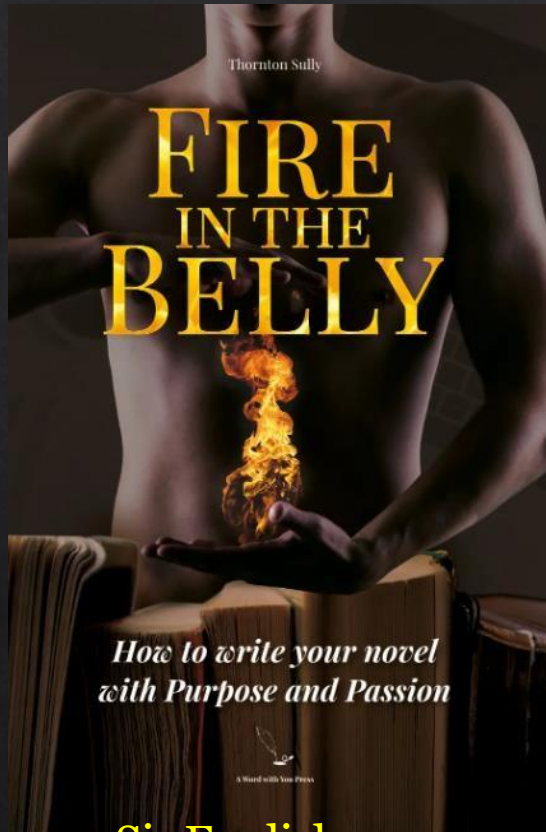
**24. A clarion call:-** A strong and clear request for people to do something. (लोगों से कुछ करने की एक मज़बूत और साफ़ रिक्वेस्ट)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** All of the citizens heard the clarion call and prepared themselves to defend their city.

**25. Fire in the belly :-** A very strong sense of enthusiasm and determination. (कुछ करने का गहरा जोश)



**Eg:-** The player is on the comeback trail with fire in his belly after a serious knee injury.

**26. hunky-dory** :- There are no problems and people are happy (सब कुछ बिल्कुल ठीक होना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** You can't lose your temper with everyone like that and then expect everything to be hunky-dory.

**27. leg up:-** To help someone to be successful (सफलता में मदद या सहारा)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:** This technology will give me a leg up in the competition.

**28. Call the shots:-** To be in a position to make decisions that influence a situation (आदेश देना या नियंत्रण रखना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** The security forces will call the shots all around during the political gatherings.

## 29. Sell like hot cakes:- Quick sell out (बहुत तेज़ी से बिकना)

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**Eg:-** The 2K model cars by BMW sold like hot cakes, and it was hard to produce them by company to fulfill the demands.

**30. Cup of tea:-** Something one likes/excels in (पसंद का या आसान काम)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** This music is much more my cup of tea than this new stuff.

**31. baker's dozen:-** A group of 13 (संख्या में तेरह (13))



**Eg:-** I needed only 10 cars and my car dealer friend arrange me baker's dozen of cars.

## 32. Go for a song :- at a cheap rate (बहुत ही सस्ते में बिकना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** She bought those lovely shoes at a flea market for a song.

**33. Bark up the wrong tree:-** to make a wrong choice  
(गलत दिशा में प्रयास करना)



**Eg:-** If you think you will solve the problem by following those steps, you are barking up the wrong tree.

**34. To cut someone some slack:-** To not manage someone very strictly or critically. (किसी के प्रति नरम व्यवहार) Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** Had he explained the situation to me, I would have cut him some slack and not have been so hard on him.

**35. In the fast lane:-** A life filled with excitement  
(तेज़ और रोमांचक जीवन शैली)



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**Eg:-** He lived life in the fast lane when he was young.

**36. sly as a fox:-** smart and clever (बहुत ही चतुर या लोमड़ी जैसा)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** Do not trust him; he is as sly as a fox.

**37. To keep one's temper:-** To remain calm (अपने गुस्से पर नियंत्रण रखना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** Some players couldn't keep their tempers and charged at their opponents.

**38. Bigger fish to fry:-** Having something more important to take care of (ज़्यादा ज़रूरी काम होना)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** I do not have a lot of time to spend on this issue. I have bigger fish to fry.

**39. Ball of fire:-** An active and energetic person  
(अत्यधिक ऊर्जावान और उत्साही)

Aman Sir English



**Eg:-** The new manager turned out to be a ball of fire.

**40. By fair means or foul:-** To get one's way with honesty or dishonesty (सही या गलत तरीके से)



**Eg:-** He will try anything to graduate on time, by fair means or foul.