

Idioms Words List

Arranged by Category

ANIMALS

ants in his pants
black sheep of the family
cat nap
chicken out
couch potato
eats like a bird
frog in my throat
horse around
in a nutshell
kill two birds with one stone
lame duck
let the cat out of the bag
let's talk turkey
monkey business
open a can of worms
packed like sardines
raining cats and dogs
rat race
snake eyes
sounds fishy
spill the beans
straight from the horses mouth
wake up and smell the coffee
wild-goose chase

BODY PARTS

all choked up
all ears
all thumbs
big mouth
break a leg

broken-hearted
came up empty handed
cold feet
face the music
frog in my throat
get off my back
get up the nerve
get your foot in the door
give me a hand
hold your tongue
I'd like to pick your brain
in one ear and out the other
in poor taste
keep a straight face
keep my head above water
level-headed
lost my head
my lips are sealed
on the tip of my tongue
piece of my mind
play it by ear
put your best foot forward
put your foot in your mouth
see eye to eye
sharp tongued
stick your neck out
swallow your pride
tongue tied
two-faced
under my nose
use your head

COLORS

born with a silver spoon in his mouth
caught red-handed
feeling blue
green thumb
green with envy
heart of gold
in the pink
red tape
roll out the red carpet
rose-colored glasses
show your true colors

FOOD

apple of my eye
break the ice
chip in
cry over spilled milk
go bananas
hard nut to crack
in hot water
not my cup of tea
nuts about you
piece of cake
put all your eggs in one basket
she's a peach
sour grapes

OTHER

adding fuel to the fire
all the bells and whistles
an accident waiting to happen
back off
backseat driver

beat around the bush
bend over backwards
call the shots
cut corners
cut it out
cutting edge
dime a dozen
don't air your dirty laundry
dragging your feet
fly off the handle
hit the ceiling
hold your horses
in limbo
in the spotlight
loose ends
off the top of my head
on cloud nine
out of line
over the hill
playing with fire
pull some strings
quit horsing around
ring a bell
rock the boat
shape up
skating on thin ice
sleep on it
take a rain check
the last straw
throw in the towel
top of the world
two cents
under the weather
wrap it up