

Proverbs

Proverb	Meaning
Every cloud has a silver lining.	There is something good in every difficult situation.
Don't put all your eggs in one basket.	Don't risk everything on one plan or choice.
The pen is mightier than the sword.	Words and ideas are more powerful than violence.
Birds of a feather flock together.	People with similar interests or personalities spend time together.
You can't have your cake and eat it too.	You cannot enjoy two conflicting advantages at the same time.
Two heads are better than one.	Working together often leads to better ideas and solutions.
Slow and steady wins the race.	Patience and consistent effort lead to success.
Every dog has its day.	Everyone gets a chance to succeed or be lucky.
A rolling stone gathers no moss.	Someone who keeps moving or changing does not settle down or gain lasting responsibilities.
Beggars can't be choosers.	People with limited choices should be grateful for what they receive.
Don't count your chickens before they hatch.	Don't assume success before it actually happens.
Better safe than sorry.	It is wiser to be cautious than to regret taking unnecessary risks.
Curiosity killed the cat.	Being too curious can sometimes lead to trouble.
Necessity is the mother of invention.	Difficult situations often inspire creative solutions.
When in Rome, do as the Romans do.	Adapt to the customs and traditions of the place you are in.

Idioms

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A fish out of water	Feeling uncomfortable in an unfamiliar situation.	Ahmed felt like a fish out of water on his first day at the new school.
By the skin of your teeth	Just barely; by a very small margin.	Zara passed the maths test by the skin of her teeth .
Cry over spilled milk	Be upset about something that cannot be changed.	There's no use crying over spilled milk after losing the game.
Get cold feet	Become nervous or afraid before doing something.	Ali got cold feet before giving his speech in assembly.
Go the extra mile	Make a special effort beyond what is expected.	Our teacher always goes the extra mile to help us learn.
Hold your horses	Wait a moment; be patient.	Hold your horses! We haven't finished packing yet.
In the same boat	In the same difficult situation as others.	We are all in the same boat , so let's help one another.
Miss the boat	Miss an opportunity.	Sara missed the boat by submitting her project late.
Out of the blue	Happening unexpectedly.	Out of the blue , my cousin came to visit us.
See eye to eye	Agree with someone.	The two friends see eye to eye on most classroom rules.
The tip of the iceberg	Only a small part of a much bigger problem.	The broken window was only the tip of the iceberg ; many other repairs were needed.
Through thick and thin	During both good and difficult times.	Good friends stay together through thick and thin .
Turn over a new leaf	Start behaving in a better way.	Hamza decided to turn over a new leaf and complete all his homework on time.
Wear your heart on your sleeve	Show your emotions openly.	Amina wears her heart on her sleeve , so everyone knows when she is happy or sad.
Your guess is as good as mine	I do not know the answer either.	" Your guess is as good as mine ," the captain said when asked where the missing ball had gone.