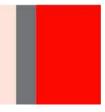
English Proficiency



Idioms & Phrases



Check Your Concepts

Q.1. Match the following:

Directions: Given below are two columns - column I and column II. Match the two columns and write the correct answer in the given blank grid.

1. Match the following:

Column – I (Phrases)		Column – II (Meaning)	
(A)	A Dime A Dozen	(i)	Have a dispute with someone
(B)	A Slap on the Wrist	(ii)	Rushed and short on time
(C)	Against The Clock	(iii)	common and easy to get
(D)	An Axe To Grind	(iv)	A two person conflict where both people are at fault
(E)	Beat A Dead Horse	(v)	To forget about an argument or issue
(F)	Bite Your Tongue	(vi)	A very mild punishment
(G)	Give Him The Slip	(vii)	To escape
(H)	It Takes Two To Tango	(viii)	To keep quiet
(I)	Lend Me Your Ear	(ix)	To politely ask for full attention
(J)	Let Bygones	(x)	To try without any hope of success

2. Match the following:

Column – I (Phrases)		Column – II (Meaning)	
(A)	In black and white	(i)	Desire strongly
(B)	A wind of change	(ii)	Covered with bruises
(C)	Get wrong	(iii)	Secret or hidden
(D)	Zip into	(iv)	Not valid
(E)	Under wraps	(v)	Foolish
(F)	In black and blue	(vi)	Misunderstand
(G)	Null and void	(vii)	Express freely
(H)	yearn for	(viii)	In writing
(I)	Give vent to	(ix)	Move quickly
(J)	Wild-goose chase	(x)	Tendency to change

		Complete the following statement space(s).	ents i	with an appro	priate word / term to be filled in the blar		
1.	Α	of all	is a	1	of none.		
2.	Don't	your		before they _			
3.	All	And No		<u>.</u> •			
4.	Α	Paints a		Words.			
5 .	From _	То					
6.	Great	Think		_•			
7 .		Makes	_·				
8.	An	mind is a					
9.	Let Th	eOut Of The _		·			
10.	You C	an't A Book By	Its				
1.	To bur	closest to its meaning. y the hatchet					
1.		dispute over small things		(b) to destroy	1		
	(c) to make up a quarrel				a costly furniture		
	(0) 10 1	mane up a quarrer		(a) to repair	a coony farimare		
2.	Black	sheep					
	(a) a c	ostly item		(b) a dark sh	iny object		
	(c) an unworthy person in a family or group			(d) a funny n	nan		
3.	To clear the air						
	(a) to v	work hard		(b) to wash p	properly		
	(c) to resolve a problem		(d) to create	confusion			

(c) no selfish motive (d) to confuse others

4.

No axe to grind

(a) a bad situation

(b) to rebuke

5 .	To steal a march				
	(a) To outside	(b) to start early	(c) to command an army (d) to overtake		
6.	Pillar to post				
	(a) driven from one place to another		(b) very tiresome journey		
	(c) main supports of a building		(d) clumsy looking objects		
7.	To have cold feet				
	(a) to feel very cold		(b) to pay much attention to		
	(c) to lose confidence	ce	(d) to pour water on something		
8.	A lady's man				
	(a) A woman-tailor		(b) A lover of woman company		
	(c) A man working,	as per a lady's directions	(d) A timid husband		
9.	To play fast and loose				
	(a) To beguile others		(b) To be winning sometimes and losing at other times		
	(c) To play with someone's feelings		(d) To be unreliable an inconsistent		
10.	a square peg in a round hole				
	(a) An impossible task		(b) A scheme that never works		
	(c) A person unsuited to the position he fills		(d) To steal all wealth and flee		
11.	Leave one to sink or swim				
	(a) To be in a dilem	ma	(b) To leave to one's fate		
	(c) To put one in di	fficulty	(d) Not to help one		
12.	To take the wind out of another's sails				
	(a) To manouvre to mislead another on the high seas				
	(b) To cause harm to another				
	(c) To defeat the motives of another				
	(d) To anticipate another and to gain advantage over him				

13. To run amuck

- (a) To run a race
- (c) To feel exhausted

- (b) To run about in frenzy
- (d) To run to somebody's help