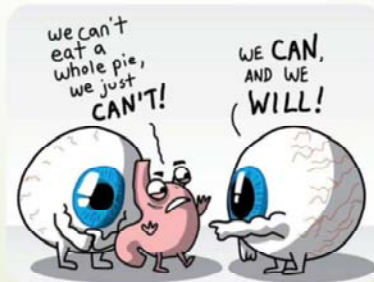


Idioms – A Closer  
Lesson 4

**Look**

Eyes are bigger than your stomach



## Part A

- ▶ Eyes are bigger than your stomach (1)
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- ▶ Eyes in the back of your head
- ▶ Face the music
- ▶ Fair and square
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Lesson 04 - A



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Accept a punishment; to go through trouble or danger  
The boy was caught cheating in an exam and had to **face the music.**

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Lesson 04 - A



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He won the game **fair and square**.



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Lesson 04 - A



Little or no possibility  
Will I go fishing with you on Saturday? **Fat chance**, my son's tournament is that day.



Plenty or very little; big success or bad failure  
In this business it's either **feast or famine**.



Something to be proud of; an honor  
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Traffic was really slow on the freeway this morning because of a **fender-bender** in one of the westbound lanes.

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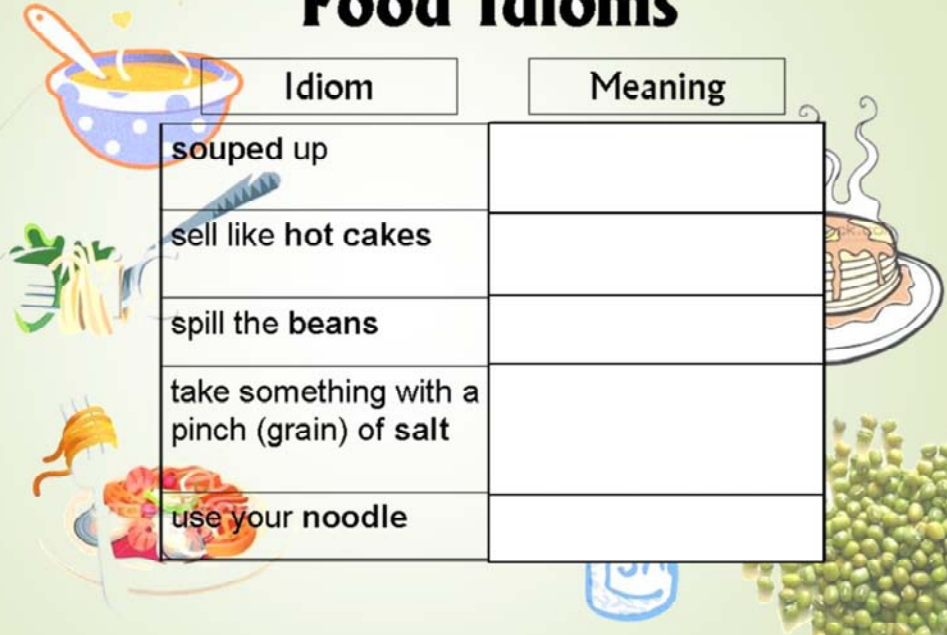
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(Voice Rough)

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## Food Idioms

### Souped up

Made more powerful or stylish

### Sell like hot cakes

Bought by many people

### Spill the beans

Reveal the truth

### Take something with a pinch (grain) of salt

Don't consider something 100% accurate

### Use your noodle

Use your brain

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apple of one's eye	
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## Food Idioms

### Apple of one's eye

A person that is adored by someone

### (have a) bun in the oven

Be pregnant

### Bad egg

A person who is often in trouble

### Big cheese

Very important person (VIP)

### Bread and butter

Necessities, the main thing

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## Food Idioms

### Butter someone up

Be extra nice to someone (usually for selfish reasons)

### Cheesy

Silly

### Cool as a cucumber

Very relaxed

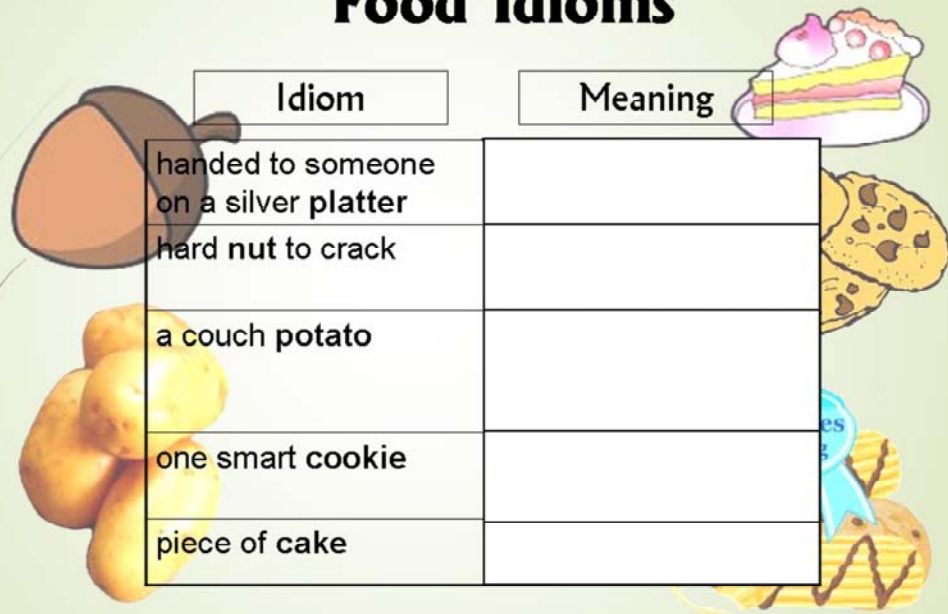
### Cream of the crop

The best

### (don't) cry over spilled milk

Get upset over something that has happened and cannot be changed

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## Food Idioms

**Handed to someone on a silver platter**  
Received without working for something

**Hard nut to crack**  
Difficult to understand (often a person)

**A couch potato**  
Someone who just sits on the couch watching TV

**One smart cookie**  
A very intelligent person

**Piece of cake**  
Very easy

Lesson 04 - A

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- Get away with murder (1)
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(Enjoy)

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Lesson 04 - B



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Lesson 04 - B



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They **got their wires crossed**.  
(They **misunderstood** each other.)

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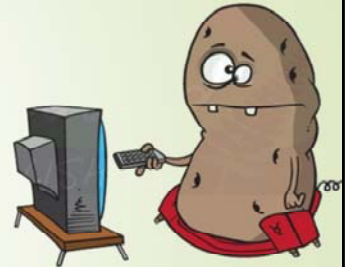
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To overwork.

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