

Idioms

Idioms of Travel

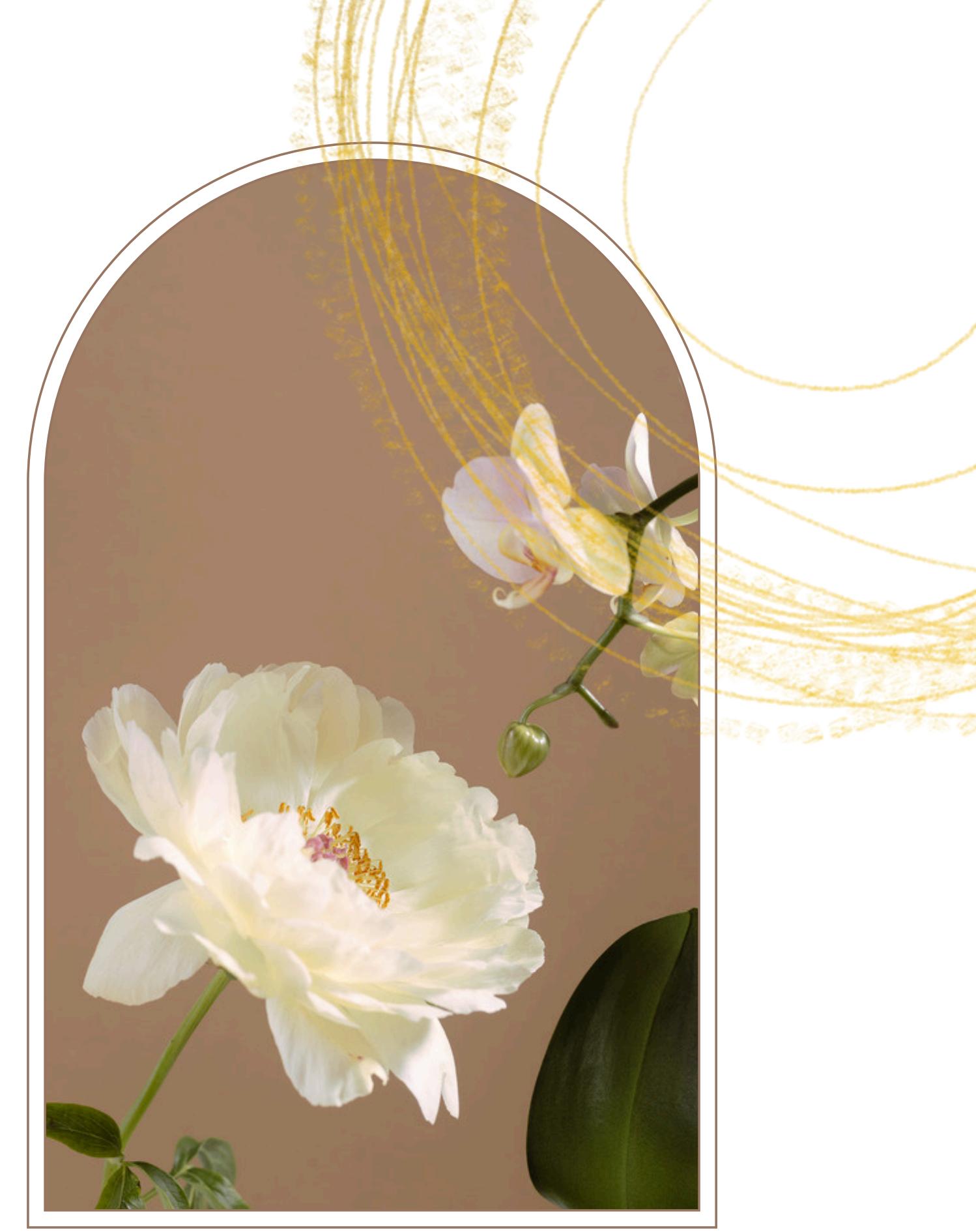
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Idioms of Travel

These idioms are particularly common and often reflect the experiences, challenges, and joy of exploring new places. Therefore, remember to use these idioms when you tell the joy of exploring new places.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

Hit the road.

To start a journey or to leave.

I have been here long enough, it's time to hit the road.

A mile A minute

Very fast or quickly.

He talks a mile a minute when he is excited about his job.

A stone's throw away

A very short distance from something or somewhere.

Our hotel was just a stone's throw away from the beach.

Off the beaten track

In a remote or less travelled location.

They decided to go camping in a jungle, off the beaten track.

In the same boat

In the same situation as others.

Don't be scare, we are in the same boat.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

Down the road

In the future.

I'll visit Japan someday, but that's a few years down the road.

Go the extra mile

To put in extra effort to achieve something.

My mom went the extra mile to celebrate Hari Raya this year.

Have itchy feet

To feel a strong desire to travel.

After a few months, she has itchy feet again.

Jump on the bandwagon

To join a popular trend.

Everyone's going on hiking, so I decided to jump on the bandwagon.

Live out of a suitcase

To travel frequently, staying in different places for short periods.

As a journalist, i'm used to living out of a suitcase.

Idioms of Love / Relationship

These idioms are used to help us describe our affections more clearly. By mastering these expressions, you will be able to convey your feeling with honesty and depth.

IDIOMS	MEANING	SENTENCE
Head over heels	Deeply or completely in love.	He fell head over heels after their first date.
A match made in heaven	A couple that is perfectly suited for each other.	With their shared interests and values, they truly are a match made in heaven
To tie the knot	To get married	After years of dating, they decided to tie the knot.
The apple of one's eye	Someone or something that is cherished or highly valued	His daughter is the apple of his eye, he adores her.
Puppy love	A youthful or innocent romantic affection	Their teenage romance was just puppy love.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

On the rocks

A relationship experiencing difficulties or likely to fail

Their marriage has been on the rocks for months.

To be smitten

To strongly attracted of infatuated with someone

She's smitten with her new boyfriend's charm.

Blind date

A date between two people who have not met before

John is so nervous about tonight blind date.

Go back a long way

To have a long history or relationship with someone

They go back a long way, friends since kindergarten.

Wear your heart on your sleeve

To openly show emotions, especially in relationship

Jane wears her heart on her sleeve, showing her love to Jack.

Idioms of Animals

These idioms are used to express complex ideas about human nature through familiar, evocative, and often humorous images of animals.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

Ants in your pants

Feeling restless or overly excited.

He's got ants in his pants, too eager to sit still.

Elephant in the room

An obvious problem or issue everyone ignores.

The budget issue was the elephant in the room at the meeting.

Lion's share

The largest portion of something.

Jill claimed the lion's share of the credit for the project.

Chicken out

To back out of something due to fear.

Lance chickened out at the last minute, too scared to sneak out.

Hold your horses

To slow down or wait.

Hold your horses, we should think clearly about this.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

A fish out of water

Feeling out of place or uncomfortable

She was a fish out of water in the new city.

Cat got your tongue

Unable to speak or respond.

Salem was frozen when he saw his mum, as the cat got his tongue.

Open a can of worms

Create a complicated problem.

Discussing politics at dinner is like opening a can of worms.

Bull in a China shop

Clumsy or reckless in a delicate situation.

Donalds was a bull in a china shop, ruining the meeting.

All bark and no bite

Threatening but not acting

Her warnings were all bark and no bite.

Idioms of People

These idioms are used to describe a person. These expressions use to capture someone's true character.

IDIOMS

Cheapskate

Down to earth

A social butterfly

Armchair critic

A tough cookie

MEANING

A person who is unwilling to spend money, often stingy.

Practical, realistic, and approachable in personality.

An outgoing person who loves socializing and meeting people.

Someone who criticizes without taking action or having expertise.

A resilient, strong-willed person who handles challenges well.

SENTENCE

He is such a cheapskate, he never pays for dinner.

She is down to earth, always easy to work with.

His social butterfly personality lights up the room.

Phil is an armchair critic, always judging from the sidelines.

Soldiers are known as tough cookies, never backing down from a fight.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

Happy camper

A cheerful, satisfied person, content with their situation.

She is a happy camper, loving her new house.

Pain in the neck

A person who is annoying or difficult to deal with.

My neighbour is a pain in the neck, always complaining.

Set in his way

A person who is stubborn and resistant to change.

Grandpa is set in his ways, refusing new ideas.

A jack of all trades

A person skilled in many areas, versatile in abilities.

Joe is known as a jack of all trades, good at everything.

A man of his word

A person who keeps promises and is trustworthy.

The good president is a man of his word, always reliable.

Idioms of weather

These idioms are common phrases that use weather to describe feelings, situations, or events.

IDIOMS	MEANING	SENTENCE
Under the weather	Feeling unwell or in low spirits.	My teacher postponed our class because she is under the weather.
Calm before the storm	A quiet period before a difficult or chaotic situation.	The office was calm before the storm of the big project.
Storm in a teacup	A big fuss over a small or insignificant issue.	The actress's divorce is just a storm in a teacup.
Take a rain check	To postpone or decline an invitation.	Faiz takes a rain check on the hike due to the uncertain weather.
Head in the clouds	Being unrealistic or dreamy.	Pak Pandir got his head in the clouds, wanting to marry a princess.

IDIOMS

MEANING

SENTENCE

Chase rainbows

To pursue unrealistic or unattainable dreams.

Sally is chasing rainbows, hoping to be a popular idol.

Save for a rainy day

To set aside money or resources for future difficulties.

She saves for a rainy day, preparing for tough times.

Fairweather friend

A person who is only supportive in good times.

His fairweather friends leave him when he is in trouble.

A bolt from the blue

A sudden, unexpected event.

Her wedding news came as a bolt from the blue.

Come rain or shine

No matter the circumstances or conditions.

He jogs every day, come rain or shine.

Idioms of Food

These idioms are non-literal expressions that compare or liken things to food, with meaning separate from literal words.

IDIOMS

Bring home the bacon

MEANING

Earn the income.

SENTENCE

Sally is chasing rainbows, hoping to be a popular idol.

Bun in the oven

Be pregnant.

Jan will not ride a bike because she has bun in the oven.

Bread and butter

Necessities, main thing

Just explain the bread and butter of your plan.

Carrot top

Person with red or orange hair

Simon is not allowed to take exam because of his carrot top.

Cool as a cucumber

A very relaxed person.

Mr. Smith is cool as a cucumber when he does the jump from a height.

IDIOMS

cry over spilled milk

Gravy train

Egg someone on

Spill the beans

One smart cookie

MEANING

Get upset over something that has happened.

Extremely good pay for minimal work.

Force someone to do something.

Reveal the truth.

A very intelligent person.

SENTENCE

It is no use crying over spilled milk, nothing can't be done.

John has been enjoying the gravy train as a shop owner.

The boss tries to egg his workers on, but they won't give up.

Bella asked me to spill the beans about yesterday's incident.

The creator of this machine is one smart cookie.

Thank you!