

People Idioms



1. John is a **couch potato**- do not disturb he's resting!



2. I'm an **early bird**- I love to get up early in the morning.

5. What a **crybaby** your brother is! He cries for no reason at all!



7. I'm a **night owl**- I hate to go to bed!

10. His grandfather is old- **as old as the hills!**



3. Bill is a **fair weather friend**- just ask for help and he's gone.



4. Patrick is a **daredevil**- he's always doing dangerous stunts.



8. She's got a **heart of gold**- she's really a great person.



6. You know what they say- **jack of all trades**- master of none.



9. Oh that's Jake all right! He's a real **troublemaker**- and he thinks he's the **class clown**.



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12. The children were **as good as gold** with the new babysitter- believe it or not!



13. Little Susie is a real **whizz kid**- she could use mobile phone at 2 and a computer at 2 ½.



11. That Mary is a real **pain in the neck**- I wish she hadn't come with us.



14. Peter is a **barrel of laughs**- he never stops telling jokes!



15. John is the **black sheep** of the family- he's always getting into trouble.



16. That's Mrs. McFly the neighborhood **Busybody** - always spying on everyone!



17. Mr. Everton is a **fat cat**! He's really rich and powerful!



18. That Cathy! What a **chatterbox**! She never stops talking!



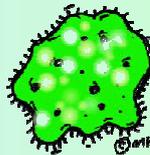
19. My chemistry teacher is **nutty as a fruitcake**. Some days he dresses and talks like Einstein.



20. What a **cheapskate**! He won't even order a coffee at a café- he drinks water!



23. Watch out! Your new boss is a **slimeball**! He treats everyone badly and can't be trusted.



22. He's a real **worrywart**- he worries about every little thing



21. Never get in a car with Uncle Harry. He's a **backseat driver**- and will keep giving you orders.



24. He's not a good choice for a friend- he's a real **cold fish** and not much fun either.



25. You're going to the dance with Stan!? He's such an **oddball** and he can't dance either.



26. My little brother is a real **copycat**! Everything you do or say, he copies.



27. His uncle is an **armchair critic**. He has an opinion on subjects he knows nothing about.

1. **couch potato**- someone who is lazy and watches a lot of TV



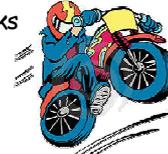
2. **early bird**- someone who likes getting up early in the morning



3. **fair-weather friend**- someone who is a good friend when everything is fine.



4. **daredevil**- someone who takes unnecessary risks



5. **crybaby**- someone who cries a lot and for no good reason- not a real baby.



6. **jack of all trades**- someone who can do many things very well.



7. **night owl**- someone who loves to stay up late



8. **heart of gold**- a really good person



9. **troublemaker/class clown**- the first causes trouble and the second makes everyone laugh.



10. **old as the hills**- someone who is very old



11. **pain in the neck**- someone who is really annoying and causes you a lot of aggravation.



12. **good as gold**- children who are very well behaved.



13. **A whizz**- someone who is really good at something- like computers or math.



14. **barrel of laughs**- someone who is very funny



15. **black sheep**- the bad egg in the family- the one who is always in trouble.



16. **busybody**- someone who has his/her nose in everyone else's business.



17. **fat cat**- someone who is rich and successful- usually old



18. **chatterbox**- someone who talks non-stop



19. **nutty as a fruitcake**- someone who is a bit crazy



20. **cheapskate**- someone who hates to spend money.



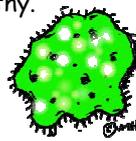
21. **backseat driver**- someone who gives orders when you are driving



22. **worrywart**- someone who worries about every little thing.



23. **slimeball**- an awful person who is also untrustworthy.



24. **cold fish**- a cold-hearted person



25. **oddball**- a weirdo- a strange person



26. **copycat**- someone who copies others



27. **armchair critic**- someone who criticizes others usually without knowing anything.



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True or False

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- A fat cat is rich and powerful.
- A cheapskate is stingy.
- A backseat driver is helpful.
- A slimeball is someone to avoid.
- A whizz kid is very smart.
- A chatterbox is the silent type.
- An armchair critic writes reviews.
- A busybody minds his own business.
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Circle the correct person

- Someone who causes you a lot of problems.
a. whizz kid b. pain in the neck c. early bird
- The person you'd like to take to a party.
a. a cold fish b. early bird c. barrel of laughs
- The member of your family who's always in trouble.
a. black sheep b. crybaby c. worrywart
- What mothers often are.
a. daredevils b. worrywarts c. couch potatoes
- What teenagers often are.
a. cold fish b. couch potatoes c. early birds
- Take this person clubbing.
a. an early bird b. a fat cat c. night owl
- Not a good idea to take this person to the library.
a. chatterbox b. night owl c. cheapskate
- The last person you'd expect to buy you coffee.
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If you were a _____, what would you do?

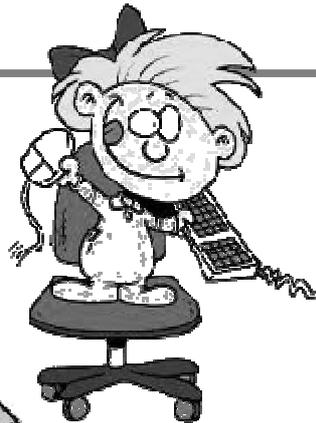
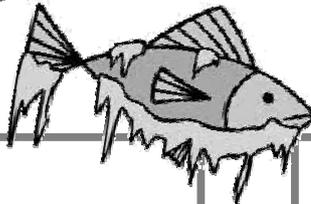
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If you were a (daredevil), what would you do?

Suggested answers

- I would **stay up late every night.** night owl
- I would **gossip about all my friends.** busybody
- I would **get upset about everything.** worrywart
- I would **go bungee jumping.** daredevil
- I would **misbehave in school.** troublemaker
- I would **buy the same i-pod as my best friend.** copy cat
- I would **talk on my mobile for hours.** chatterbox
- I would **get up early every day.** early bird
- I would **do the wrong thing all the time.** black sheep
- I would **ace all my tests and be # 1 in my class.** whizz kid