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# Expressions Explained

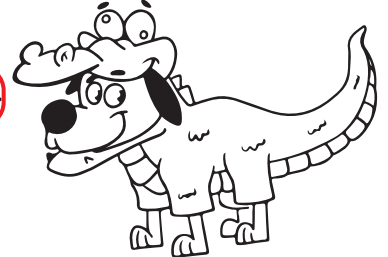
Underline each idiom or hyperbole. Highlight or circle other clues in the sentences that help you interpret the meaning of the idioms or hyperbole. Write the expression (idiom or hyperbole) on the first line. Use the context to explain what each expression means on the second line.

**Example:** I died laughing when I saw the video of the dog in an alligator costume.

**Expression:** died laughing

**What does this mean?** This person was laughing very hard!

**Answer Key**



1. Justin ate a whole pizza for dinner and said that he was still hungry! He sure is a bottomless pit!

Expression: **bottomless pit**

What does this mean? **It means that Justin doesn't get full quickly.**

2. When my teacher told me about the project I knew that it would be a piece of cake. Since I love drawing, projects like these are really easy for me!

Expression: **piece of cake**

What does this mean? **If something is a piece of cake it is not difficult for someone.**

3. Puddles were forming on the street and in my yard, but the sky was dark and the rain pelted against our roof. It was raining cats and dogs!

Expression: **raining cats and dogs**

What does this mean? **There was a deluge of rain. It was pouring!**

4. Marissa was really down in the dumps when her dog died.

Expression: **down in the dumps**

What does this mean? **Marissa was very, very sad.**

5. At the airport we waited for ages to get on our plane. I couldn't believe that it took three hours before we were finally seated!

Expression: **waited for ages**

What does this mean? **It was a very long wait. They had a wait a long time.**