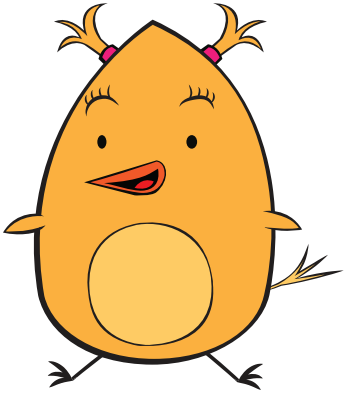


Puns with Idioms



A **pun** is a form of wordplay that uses multiple meanings of a word or phrase for a humorous effect. Some puns use idioms to give a statement double meaning.

Remember, **idioms** are phrases that have a figurative meaning that is different than their literal meaning, like: It's raining cats and dogs.

Directions: Write the literal and figurative meaning for the underlined idioms in each of the puns below.

Example: My mom asked me to stop imitating the flamingos. I had to put my foot down.

Literal Meaning: I had to put my foot on the ground.

Figurative Meaning: I had to act firmly to get my way.

1. Pencils could be made with erasers at both ends, but what would be the point?

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

2. I couldn't figure out how to fasten my seatbelt. Then it clicked.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

3. I have a fear of speed bumps but I'm slowly getting over it.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

4. What did the calculator say to his friends? You can count on me.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

5. I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

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6. Grandma just discovered that I replaced her bed with a trampoline. She hit the roof.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

7. I can't remember that boomerang joke, but I'm sure it'll come back to me eventually.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

8. Never lie to an X-ray technician. They can see right through you.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

9. Broken puppets for sale. No strings attached.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

10. I've been learning braille. I'm sure I'll master it once I get a feel for it.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

11. My time machine and I go way back.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____

12. Learning how to collect trash isn't that hard, I just picked it up as I went along.

Literal Meaning: _____

Figurative Meaning: _____