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# CREST English Olympiad (CEO) Worksheet *for*

Class 10



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# Worksheet on Idioms

Direction for questions (1-20): Fill in the blanks with the correct idiom:

1. The janitor and the warden were \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.
  - a. eye to eye
  - b. breaking the ice
  - c. at loggerheads
  - d. added insult to injury
  
2. Accusing the quiet student of mischief was like \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. barking up the wrong tree
  - b. out of the red
  - c. on the rocks
  - d. on the cards
  
3. After considering the circumstances, the teacher decided to let the students \_\_\_\_\_ for not completing the assignment on time, understanding the challenges they faced during the week.
  - a. set the sail off
  - b. off the hook
  - c. embark high
  - d. figure out quick
  
4. When she praised the team's exceptional performance, I couldn't agree more and responded with a confident, " \_\_\_\_\_!"
  - a. You can say that again
  - b. you can bet that
  - c. don't be an emotional duck
  - d. just pop the question
  
5. The idea that aliens built the pyramids is \_\_\_\_\_, as it lacks any scientific evidence or historical support.
  - a. round the clock
  - b. off one's rocker
  - c. tide over one side
  - d. on the brain
  
6. In urgent situations, such as a medical emergency or impending deadline \_\_\_\_\_, emphasising the critical importance of acting swiftly and efficiently.
  - a. time is of the essence
  - b. time is money
  - c. the time is ripe
  - d. time heals all wounds

7. Adversity often reveals a person's \_\_\_\_\_, showing their resilience, integrity, and determination in the face of challenges.
- moment of truth
  - true character
  - sweet tooth
  - show of hands
8. By working part-time, she was able to pursue her passion for painting while still maintaining a stable income a situation that truly offered her \_\_\_\_\_.
- the best of both worlds
  - round the clock
  - eye to eye
  - break the leg
9. To \_\_\_\_\_, despite facing numerous challenges, they eventually overcame the obstacles and achieved success through determination and hard work.
- ask for a penny
  - make a long story short
  - this day and age
  - the big time
10. I heard the news \_\_\_\_\_ when the company CEO personally announced the upcoming changes during the town hall meeting.
- straight from the horse's mouth
  - sooner or later
  - swallow one's pride
  - up in smoke
11. The project was progressing smoothly until unexpected setbacks caused all our efforts to go \_\_\_\_\_.
- down the drain
  - on cloud nine
  - under the weather
  - over the moon
12. Despite facing criticism, Scarlet decided to \_\_\_\_\_ and apologised for her mistake.
- kick the bucket
  - break the ice
  - bite the bullet
  - cry over spilt milk

13. Jack was determined to \_\_\_\_\_ and asked her mother about the Italy trip.
- break the news
  - pull someone's leg
  - bite the bullet
  - miss the boat
14. The teacher's explanation was so confusing that it just went \_\_\_\_\_ for most of the students.
- over the moon
  - in one ear and out the other
  - down the drain
  - up in smoke
15. We were all \_\_\_\_\_ when we found out that our favourite band was going to perform live in our city.
- over the moon
  - on cloud nine
  - down in the dumps
  - under the weather
16. It's time to \_\_\_\_\_ and admit that we need to work together to solve this problem.
- break the ice
  - cry over spilt milk
  - bite the bullet
  - pull someone's leg
17. After years of hard work, Zayn's dreams of becoming a pilot were finally coming \_\_\_\_\_.
- under the weather
  - on cloud nine
  - down the drain
  - over the moon
18. The opportunity to travel abroad was too good to \_\_\_\_\_, so she decided to take the job offer.
- miss the boat
  - break the ice
  - cry over spilt milk
  - kick the bucket



19. The news of his promotion spread like wildfire, and soon everyone knew it \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. from time to time
- b. up in smoke
- c. straight from the horse's mouth
- d. by the skin of one's teeth

20. Despite the challenges, Danny was determined to \_\_\_\_\_ and proves everyone wrong.

- a. pull someone's leg
- b. break the ice
- c. bite the bullet
- d. cry over spilt milk

### Answer Key

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. c  | 2. a  | 3. b  | 4. a  | 5. b  | 6. a  | 7. b  |
| 8. a  | 9. b  | 10. a | 11. a | 12. c | 13. c | 14. b |
| 15. b | 16. a | 17. d | 18. a | 19. c | 20. c |       |



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