

Common Idioms

Fill in the blanks with a word or phrase that will complete the idiom used in the sentence.

1. I don't have time to watch the match. I must the books. I have an exam tomorrow.

- grab
- take
- hit

2. I am so tired. I think I should hit the

- leather
- sofa
- sack

3. I really didn't want to go to the party but Mary twisted my

- neck
- arm
- hand

4. My best friend stabbed me in the

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..... when she went on a date with my boyfriend.

- neck
- head
- back

5. The train may be late by an hour so sit and wait.

- up
- tight
- loose

6. Peter no longer smokes. He went turkey a few months ago.

- plane
- hot
- cold

7. If you keep coming late to work, you will have to face the

- song
- reprimands

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music

8. Do you know Susie Richardson? 'I am not sure, but that name certainly rings a

phone
chord
bell

9. I was frustrated, so I went for a swim to blow off

stress
heat
steam

10. I am not sure when we will move to our new home. Things are still in the air.

off
above
up

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bell

ball

court

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rag

rags

sewer

Answers

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