

# Find the meanings of given idiomatic expressions

In each of the following questions an idiomatic expression is given. From the given options choose the one that correctly expresses the meaning of the given idiomatic expression.

## 1. To make a clean breast of

to praise yourself

to defend yourself

to tell the truth about something

## 2. To end in smoke

to come to nothing

to generate a great deal of hype

to make yourself thoroughly unpopular

## 3. To leave someone in the lurch

to help someone

to leave someone when they need you to help them

to make someone uncomfortable

## 4. To cry wolf

to listen carefully

to raise false alarm

to get angry

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## 5. A man of straw

a man of substance

a person or an idea that is too weak

a very active person

## 6. To be above board

to be tall

to be honest and legitimate

to have no worries

## 7. To catch a tartar

to deal with someone who proves to be too powerful

to face negative consequences

to meet with disaster

## 8. A black sheep

an unlucky person

an ignorant person

a disreputable member of a family

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## Answers

1. c) to tell the truth about something
2. a) to come to nothing
3. b) to leave someone when they need you to help them
4. b) to raise false alarm
5. b) a person or an idea that is too weak
6. b) to be honest and legal
7. a) to deal with someone who proves to be too powerful
8. c) A disreputable member of a family