Idiomatic Expressions Quiz

Fill in the blanks.

1. To take someone under your wing is to

   hide them
   take care of them
   suffocate them

2. To eat the humble pie is to

   eat very little
   eat greedily
   make a humble apology

3. To get out of the bed on the wrong side is to

   .........................
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injure yourself

defeat yourself

be in a particularly irritable mood

4. To make the feathers fly is to

cause turmoil

establish peace

make a lot of noise

5. What does itsy-bitsy mean?

magnificent

tiny

soft
6. To dilly-dally is to ................................

have a good time
waste time
make good use of time

7. I still miss the ................................. of university life.

willy-nilly
wissy-washy
hurly-burly

8. To live in straitened circumstances is to live in .............................

opulence
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9. What does the expression wishy-washy mean?

- weak
- strong
- efficient

10. You have to cooperate ....................

- willy-nilly
- dilly-dally
- itsy-bitsy
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11. To be at loggerheads is to ………………………

approve
agree
disagree strongly

12. Bete noire means an object of ………………………

affection
admiration
aversion

Answers

1. To take someone under your wing is to take care of them.
2. To eat the humble pie is to make a humble apology
3. To get out of the bed on the wrong side is to be in a particularly irritable mood.
4. To make the feathers fly is to cause turmoil.
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5. Tiny
6. To dilly-dally is to waste time.
7. I still miss the hurly-burly of university life.
8. To live in straitened circumstances is to live in poverty.
9. Feeble
10. You have to cooperate willy-nilly.
11. To be at loggerheads is to disagree strongly.