

# Idioms - D

Here is a list of idiomatic expressions built around words beginning with the letter D.

Be at daggers drawn

When you are at daggers drawn, you are extremely hostile.

Dally with

To dally with someone is to have a casual romantic or sexual relationship with them.

A big deal

A big deal is an important thing.

Deal someone a blow

To deal someone a blow is to be harmful to them.

A great deal of

A large amount of

A square deal

A square deal is a fair treatment.

At death's door

When someone is at death's door, they are so ill that they may die.

Die a death

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To die a death is to fail.

In deep water

When you are in deep water, you are in trouble.

Be thrown in at the deep end

When you are thrown in at the deep end, you are forced to face a difficult situation with hardly any experience.

Detach yourself from

To detach yourself from something is to distance yourself from it.

Between the devil and the deep blue sea

When you are between the devil and the deep blue sea, you are in a dilemma.

Devil-may-care

Reckless and cheerful

Die down

When something dies down, it becomes less strong or loud.

The noise died down.

Be dying for

When you are dying for something you are eager to have it.

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Die hard

An expression used to refer to situations that change slowly.

Old habits die hard.

Never say die

Someone who has a never say die spirit, do not give up hope.

Dig something out

To dig something out is to discover facts.

Dig in your heels

To dig in your heels is to refuse to do something.

Take a dim view of

To take a dim view of something is to regard something with disapproval.

Dish something out

To dish something out is to distribute something in a casual way.

At someone's disposal

When you have something at your disposal, it is available for you whenever or however you wish.