

## IDIOMY:

### UNIT 1

1. down in the dumps - depressed
2. keep sbd in the dark – keep unaware of sth
3. not be all it/he/she/you, etc is cracked up to be – to be not as good as people say
4. catch sbd`s eye – to get sbd`s attention
5. right up one`s street – within one`s range of interests/knowledge
6. take things easy – to relax
7. off the beaten track – isolated and quiet
8. come down to earth with a bump – to stop dreaming and start thinking practically
9. in one`s element – very happy/suited to a situation
10. the crack of dawn – very early in the morning

### UNIT 2

1. donkey`s years – a long time
2. bury the hatchet – to forget old quarrels
3. the apple of sbd`s eyes – sbd one is most fond of
4. the black sheep of the family – a person strongly disapproved of by members of his/her family
5. play hard to get – to pretend one is not interested in sbd
6. like putty in sbd`s hands – easily controlled or manipulated
7. drive sbd round the bend – to annoy sbd a lot
8. tie the knot – to get married
9. in clover – in comfort/wealth
10. blood is thicker than water – blood ties or family relations are the strongest

### UNIT 4

1. not be one`s cup of tea –not to be to one`s taste
2. scrape the bottom of the barrel – to be left with/ use the worst person/object
3. break the ice – to make sbd relax / to get conversation started
4. in the soup – in trouble
5. turn sbd`s stomach – to cause sbd feel sick / disgusted
6. cast pearls before swine – to offer sth good to sbd who cannot appreciate the value of it
7. it`s not use crying over spilt milk – there is no point in regretting sth that has happened
8. sour grapes – negative attitude / bitterness because of jealousy
9. as dry as a bone – very dry
10. up to scratch – of the desired standard

### UNIT 12

1. get sth off one`s chest – to talk about worries/problems in order to gain relief
2. a nosy Parker – and who is curious about other people`s business
3. a dark horse – sbd whose character is unknown
4. lose one`s head – to lose control due to panic/anger, etc
5. chip on one`s shoulder – sense of anger/bitterness because of unfair treatment
6. have a short fuse – to have a tendency to get angry quickly/easily
7. get one`s own back – to take revenge
8. a wet blanket – a miserable person who doesn`t like others to have fun
9. as straight as a die – completely honest/fair
10. take sbd`s point – to accept/appreciate what sbd has said