



#### SSC CGL/CHSL TIER 2 (CRASH COURSE)

# IDIOMS WITH FRUITS ...

#### The apple of your eye

Meaning: The person who you are

very fond of

E.g. She has three children, but her youngest son is the apple of her eye.

#### A bite at the cherry

Meaning: An opportunity to achieve something: E.g. He definitely wants a bite



#### Go bananas

Meaning: To become very angry, crazy or annoyed E.g. she'll go bananas if she sees the house in this (dirty) condition.

#### A plum job

Meaning: Very good job E.g. He got a plum job in an insurance company.





#### SSC CGL/CHSL TIER 2 (CRASH COURSE)

#### hungry as bear as

- As hungry as a bear
- Very hungry
- Muhaimin ate two plates of fried rice because he was as hungry as a bear.



#### IDIOM

# a tough cookie

somebody who is strong enough to deal with difficult situations



#### 66

My grandmother raised 6 kids on her own. She was tough cookie. She can overcome any problem in life because she's a tough cookie. He's a fighter and a survivor. In other words, a tough cookie. Don't worry about me. I'm a tough cookie, I'll be fine.



#### SSC CGL/CHSL TIER 2 (CRASH COURSE)



**EXPRESSION** 



"Riding a bike is really not that difficult. For you it would be a piece of cake." "Most people think driving's a piece of cake but it's actually quite difficult." "My English exam was a piece of cake. I hadn't expected it to be so easy." "Whoever said learning English was a piece of cake was totally wrong." "I learned to play the guitar in one year. It was a piece of cake for me."



# idiom

## like a dog with two tails

extremely happy



"Isabel was like a dog with two tails when she got the job offer from Airbnb." "I was like a dog with two tails when I found out that I didn't have to work on Saturday." "Since he got a promotion he's been walking around the office like a dog with two tails." "That's wonderful news. Have you told Maria yet? She'll be like a dog with two tails." we can also say - "I was as happy as a dog with two tails when I passed the exam."

#### IDIOM OF THE DAY!

#### like talking to a brick wall

used for saying that someone does not listen or react to you when you talk





e.g. I've tried to discuss my feelings with her, but it's like talking to a brick wall.



#### EXPRESSION OF THE DAY

#### to be under the weather

to feel a little bit sick and your body is not performing well



"Oh I feel under the weather today. I can't go to work." "I was feeling under the weather yesterday so I stayed in bed." "What's wrong? Are you feeling under the weather?" "I'm not very very sick, I'm just feeling under the weather."

#### SSC CGL/CHSL TIER 2 (CRASH COURSE)



SLANG

somebody who is very lazy and spends most of their time on the sofa, watching TV



"I don't mind being a couch potato. Sometimes it's good to chill out and watch TV for hours" "He's a couch potato. He spends all of his time on the sofa watching Game of Thrones." "Wow! You spent 6 hours on the sofa today. You're such a couch potato. Lazy ass!" "Don't be a couch potato Sandra. Go out and get some fresh air. It's a lovely day." "I used to be a couch potato but now I'm always active and never waste time."

# DIOMS & PHRASES PREVIOUS YEAR QUESTIONS

1. The green-eyed monster strikes a woman the moment she sees her husband talking to another pretty woman. A. happiness **B.** hatred C. jealousy **D.** anger



- 2. The police caught the thief <u>red</u> handed.
- A. at the time of committing the crime
  B. with blood in hands
  C. after reading the rules
  D. in a red uniform



### Answer: (a)

- 3. You have been caught cheating; now you must <u>face the music</u>.
  A. be debarred
  B. stand up to unpleasant consequences
  C. be insulted publicly
  - **D. face the unpleasant consequences**





4. The police <u>closed the book</u> on the murder case.

- A. handed the case over to another agency
- B. stopped working on
- C. refused to take up
- **D. solved the case of**

Answer: (b)





5. She turns up her nose at this kind of dress. A. sees no harm in **B.** loves C. can just tolerate **D.** despises

Answer: (d)

- 6. The teacher's extra hours of coaching <u>went</u> <u>a long way</u> in improving the student's
  - performance.
- A. extended widely
- B. spent a lot of time
- C. helped considerably
- D. took great effort

Answer: (c)





# 7. The news of the accident came as <u>a bolt from the blue</u>.

- A. something horrible
- **B. something unpleasant**
- C. something unexpected unpleasant
- **D. something unexpected**

**Answer: (c)** 

and



8. I cannot put up with your misconduct any longer. A. accept **B.** refuse C. tolerate **D. excuse** 



#### Answer: (c)

# 9. Pick to pieces

- A. complete a work entirely
- **B. analyze critically**
- C. select only what you need.
- D. study something superficially

Answer: (b) pick to pieces : to criticize somebody Here, analyse critically is the right option. Look at the sentence : You have just picked her to pieces leave her alone !



# 10. <u>Curry favour</u> A. seek favourable attention

- B. prepare a dish
- C. attract attention
- D. seek impartial judgement



Answer: (a) curry favour : to try to get somebody to like or support you by praising or helping.

# Q11. The board of directors meeting ended in smoke.

- a) To catch fire
- b) No ending
- c) To give no practical result
- d) To fall



c) To give no practical result

Q12. He choose the life partner of his own accord. Unwillingly a) Willingly **b**) **C)** At his desire **d**) By forcible action

b) Willingly

# Q13. Most of the villagers are still in a <u>fool's paradise</u>.

- a) Living in illusions
- b) Live happily
- c) To live in the midst of idiots
- d) With happy ideas



### a) Living in illusions

# Q14. The order disqualifying the promotion of the clerk is kept in abeyance. a) Secret b) Open to all

- c) In no time
- d) In suspension
- d) In suspension





Q15. Blow hot and cold Permanent a) **b**) Temporary To be constantly C) changing To develop **d**)

c) To be constantly changing

0:20



#### **Q16. Catch one's breath** Shock a) or amazement **Stop breathing** b) Happy mood C) **Fearful thoughts d**)

a) Shock or amazement



# Q17. Gate Crasher (a) Invited friend (b) Uninvited guest (c) A drunk person (d) A murderer





# Q18. Talking through hat A) Talking ignorantly B) Talking irresponsibly C) Talking nonsense D) Talking insultingly



Correct Answer: C



Q19. To disabuse one's mind A) To conceal something **B)** To remove a misapprehension C) To banish from one's mind a thought D) To proceed cautiously so as to avoid risks and dangers

**Correct Answer: B** 



Q20. Kick the bucket A) To conclude B) To kill C) To die D) To absolve



**Correct Answer: C** 



# **Home Work**

**Cut the mustard** A. to score average **B. to perform well** C. to underperform under D. to get expectations

