#### **IDIOMS AND PHRASES 1**

### 1 Five Jokes - Alex (engVid)

- 1 Why didn't the shark swallow the clownfish? Because it tasted funny.
- 2 Why was six afraid of seven? Because 7, 8, 9.
- 3 Why didn't the skeleton go to the party? Because he had no body to go with.
- 4 Why did the teacher wear sunglasses to class? Because her students were so bright.
- 5 Why did the pregnant lady start yelling: "I'm! Didn't! Can't!"? Because she was having contractions.

### 2 Five Types of Jokes – Alex (engVid)

- 1 What's the difference between mashed potatoes and pea soup? You can mash potatoes but you can't pee /pea/ soup.
- 2 What does a banana have in common with a million dollars? They both have appeal. /a peel/
- 3 What do you call a computer that sings? A Dell. /Adele/
- 4 Why was the math book sad? Because it had too many problems.
- 5 Knock, Knock. Who's there? Lettuce Lettuce who? Let us in, it's cold out there.

### 3 Five Dad Jokes – Alex (engVid)

- 1 Why couldn't dracula's wife fall asleep? Because of his coffin. /coughing/
- 2 What kind of music do mummies listen to? Wrap music.
- 3 What was Beethoven's favourite fruit? Ba-na-na-na.
- 4 Why didn't the shrimp share his treasure? Because it was a little shellfish. /selfish/
- 5 What do calendars eat? Dates.

# 4 Five Common Sayings - Alex (engVid)

- 1 Practice makes perfect.
- 2 Don't judge a book by its cover.
- 3 Two heads are better than one.
- 4 Don't put all your eggs in one basket.
- 5 No man is an island.

#### 5 The Influence of Shakespeare on Everyday English – Gill (engVid)

- 1 a sorry sight
- 2 wear your heart on your sleeve
- 3 in a pickle
- 4 There's method in my madness.
- 5 too much of a good thing
- 6 break the ice
- 7 full circle
- 8 heart of gold
- 9 hot-blooded
- 10 housekeeping
- 11 It's Greek to me.
- 12 seen better days
- 13 star-crossed lovers

#### 6 Five Popular English Proverbs - Alex (engVid)

- 1 Actions speak louder than words.
- 2 Laughter is the best medicine.
- 3 Two wrongs don't make a right.
- 4 Better late than never.
- 5 When in Rome, do as the Romans do.

# 7 Metaphors in English - Gill (engVid)

- 1 You're an angel.
- 2 They're just a bunch of sheep.
- 3 You're a busy bee.
- 4 London is a melting pot.
- 5 I had some good ideas but my boss shot them down.
- 6 My head is spinning.
- 7 Her dress has a very loud pattern.
- 8 People are flocking to the pop concert.
- 9 Then things turned sour.
- 10 All the world's a stage.

# 8 Similes in English - Gill (engVid)

- 1 She eats like a pig.
- 1 He drinks like a fish.
- 2 I've been working like a dog.
- 3 They're fighting like cat and dog.
- 4 You smoke like a chimney.
- 5 It's like watching paint dry.
- 6 She's as timid as a mouse.
- 7 I'm as blind as a bat.
- 8 That explanation is as clear as mud.
- 9 You've gone as white as a sheet.
- 10 The children have been as good as gold.

## 9 Hat Idioms – James (engVid)

- 1 at the drop of a hat
- 2 hold on to your hat
- 3 Hats off to you.
- 4 Keep it under your hat.
- 5 wear many hats

### 10 Book Expressions - Emma (engVid)

- 1 bookworm
- 2 hit the books
- 3 Don't judge a book by its cover.
- 4 to be in someone's good books
- 5 by the book
- 6 to book (something)
- 7 read someone like a book
- 8 open book / closed book
- 9 to throw the book at someone
- 10 every trick in the book
- 11 the oldest trick in the book
- 12 in my book