(to) break away: (to go away abruptly; to escape). The prisoner broke away from his guards and the police looked on helplessly.

(to) break down: (collapse: to fail completely). We were watching ‘Titanic’ on the T.V. when electricity broke down.

(to) break in: (to train horses). He breaks in horses for the races.

(to) break into: (to enter violently). The thieves broke into the house in the early hours of the morning.

(to) break news: (to make something known—especially bad news). He broke the news of the death of his father sometime after his arrival.
IDIOMS WITH **BRING**

- **(to) bring about**: (to cause). Her foolishness brought about the ruin of the whole family.

- **(to) bring down**: (to decrease): The Government has not been able to bring down the prices of essential commodities.

- **(to) bring forth**: (to produce). The plants bring forth leaves and flowers during spring season.

- **(to) bring home**: (to impress; to prove). The Architect brought home the importance of the project to his employer.

- **(to) bring off**: (to rescue). He went to the marooned village and brought off a number of women and children.
(to) call at: (to pay a visit). I called at her house last evening but she refused to see me.

(to) call for: (to require). The situation is very difficult and calls for delicate handling.

(to) call forth: (to bring out). Foreign aggression calls forth the best in a nation.

(to) call in: (to send for). The patient is in a coma, please call in the doctor immediately.

(to) call in question: (to challenge). Elders do not like their decision to be called in question by their offspring.
**IDIOMS WITH CARRY**

- **(to) carry**: (to win a motion). The motion was carried by two thirds majority.

- **(to) carry away**: (to move somebody's feelings greatly). We should not be carried away by slogans.

- **(to) carry off**: (to cause the death of). Hundreds of persons were carried off by the earthquake.

- **(to) carry on**: (to manage). He carried on the good work started by his elders.

- **to carry out**: (to execute). The plan has to be carried out as early as possible.
IDIOMS WITH COME

- **(to) come about**: (to happen). How did this change about?

- **(to) Come by**: (to gain). He came by a fortune after the death of his uncle.

- **(to) come off**: (to take place). When does the convocation come off?

- **(to) come out**: (to be published). This magazine comes out every month.

- **(to) come round**: (to agree). She has come round to your views after last night's dialogue.
Idioms with Fall

- **(to) fall away:** (to revolt). Colonies fall away from Imperial France one by one.

- **(to) fall back:** (to retreat). When the police used tear gas shells, the rioters fell back.

- **(to) fall back upon:** (to have recourse to). You must have some money regularly to fall back upon in time of need.

- **(to) fall fat:** (to fail). All advice fell flat on him.

- **(to) fall for:** (to be attracted to). The only flaw in his character is that he falls for money.
IDIOMS WITH GET

- **(to) get away:** (to escape). The thieves got away with all the cash and jewelry in the house.

- **(to) get down:** (to write to, dictation). The Manager called the stenographer and asked him to get down the notes quickly.

- **(to) get in:** (to enter). He snatched the purse from that lady, got in the car and drove off.

- **(to) get off:** (to escape). Ha used his Contacts and got off with a fine only.

- **(to) get on:** (to live with). It is very difficult to get on with a jealous wife.
IDIOMS WITH GIVE

- (to) give away: (to distribute). The Vice Chancellor gave away the prizes to the prize winners.

- (to) give chase: (to pursue). The police party gave a hard chase to the robbers and succeeded in arresting them.

- (to) give in: (to yield). The strikers will not give in easily.

- (to) give out: (to announce). It was given out that the wedding will take place on Monday next.

- Give rise to: (to cause). Non-serious behaviors give rise to many problems.
IDIOMS WITH **GO**

- **(to) go by**: (to judge from). We should not go by appearances only.

- **(to) go down**: (to decrease in price). Shares of many companies have gone down.

- **(to) go for**: (to be sold at). These watches are going for $200 each.

- **(to) go for a song**: (to be sold for much less than the true value). This painting is going for a song.

- **(to) go into**: (to examine: to investigate). The Director promised to go into the matter and to do justice to the aggrieved party.
IDIOMS WITH HAVE

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(to) have a brush with: (to have a slight encounter). The Speaker of the National Assembly had a brush with one of the speakers.

(to) have clean hands: (to be a person of integrity). She has clean hands in her dealings with everybody.

(to) have in hand: (to have undertaken a work). I have a big project in hand.

(to) have no backbone: (to lack vigor) He cannot face up to the situation because he has no backbone.

(to) have too many irons in the fire: (to be over worked). He cannot handle the situation alone because he has too many irons in the fire.
(to) hold one's head high: (to bear oneself proudly). He bears himself humbly rather than hold his head high.

(to) hold one's own: (to maintain one's position). In spite of forbidding circumstances she held her own.

(to) hold oneself ready: (to be prepared). The commander asked his men to hold themselves ready for the final assault.

(to) hold out: (to offer resistance). In spite of persistent attacks the rebels held out for over six months.

(to) hold someone in high esteem: (to have a high opinion). He holds his teachers in high esteem.
IDIOMS WITH **KEEP**

- **(to) keep open house:** (to be hospitable to visitors). She keeps open house; she has the wherewithal to do so.

- **(to) keep someone in the dark:** (to hide something). I shall not keep you in the dark about future developments in this regard.

- **(to) keep something to oneself:** (not to disclose a secret), shall keep your secret to myself.

- **(to) keep the ball rolling:** (to keep something going). She had to say something or the other to keep the ball rolling.

- **(to) keep within bounds:** (to restrain). It is difficult to keep her within bounds when her passion is roused.
IDiOMS WITH MAKE

- **(to) make common cause with:** (to cooperate). He made common cause with John to frustrate the efforts of their rivals.

- **(to) make friends:** (to win friendship). She has the knack of making friends with everyone she meets.

- **(to) make it up with:** (to settle differences). He can never make up with his wife on account of the difference in temperament.

- **(to) make one's mark:** (to do something noteworthy). He is a genuine worker and will make his mark one day.

- **(to) make room:** (to allow space or passage). Everyone was more than willing to make room for her.
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IDioms with **Put**

- **(to) put someone at his ease:** (to make one feel comfortable). We must put our guests at their ease to that they can enjoy their Visit.

- **(to) put someone in the picture:** (to tell the exact situation). Please put me in the picture before I go to the meeting.

- **(to) put someone on his guard:** (to warn). You should put him on his guard against the machinations of his partner.

- **(to) put two and two together:** (to draw a conclusion). I can put two and two together and find out what is going on in my house.

- **(to) put up with:** (tolerate). I can no longer put up with her impertinence.