

Language Arts Warm-Ups

figurative
language

an A for effort
by the book

INTRODUCTION

Language Arts Warm-Ups: Idioms is designed to provide quick practice and review opportunities of idioms for students with learning differences. The clear and simple definitions and practice activities are written at a low reading level, making them appropriate for students in upper elementary school, middle school, and high school.

Each reproducible page covers only a few idioms, so students who are already struggling will not be overwhelmed. For each idiom introduced, practice activities are provided. When completing an activity, students will answer questions to help them discover the meanings of idioms, use idioms in sentences, and respond to writing prompts that pertain to idioms.

It is suggested that students keep all their completed activities in a folder labeled “Idioms.” This will allow students to easily refer to the activities when working on future warm-ups and when completing other supplemental activities. Although these warm-ups are designed to supplement your existing reading and writing instruction, they do stand alone because of the clear explanations that are provided on each page.

Idioms

Language Arts Warm-Ups

figurative
language

an A for effort

by the book

Language Arts Warm-Ups: Idioms is a comprehensive compilation of 180 activities, one for each day of the school year. Students complete a practice activity, such as using idioms correctly in sentences, circling idioms in a passage, writing original sentences using idioms, and writing in response to idioms.

Language Arts Warm-Ups: Idioms provides repeated daily practice in figurative language, which will also improve students' writing skills. These warm-ups can be used at any time for a variety of purposes. Use them as mini-lessons, review activities, "tickets out" to allow students to leave the classroom, or even quick homework assignments. For your convenience, an answer key is provided for all of the warm-up activities.

Language Arts Warm-Ups

figurative
language

THE LANGUAGE ARTS WARM-UPS SERIES

There are currently seven books in the *Language Arts Warm-Ups Series*. Each book contains 180 pages of practice activities.



Idioms

Language Arts Warm-Ups

figurative
language

an A for effort

by the book

TWO SECTIONS

This book is divided into two sections. The first section contains 180 activities about idioms. The second section is the answer key, which includes solutions for all of the activities. For some pages, the answer key will say, “Answers will vary.”

Language Arts Warm-Ups

figurative language

an A for effort
by the book

Advice


Sometimes people give advice that might not seem to make sense. These people might be using idioms. Idioms are phrases with hidden meanings, which can be used as advice. Think about this idiom: *Don't cry over spilled milk.* It means not to spend time worrying about something that cannot be undone.

Directions: Write your answers on the lines below.

1. Why might milk spill?

2. Why would crying not help?

3. What else can you do if you spill milk?

 REPRODUCIBLE

Idioms 1

Language Arts Warm-Ups

figurative language

an A for effort
by the book

Answer Key

Page 1
Answers will vary.

Page 2
Answers will vary.

Page 3
Answers will vary.

Page 4
1. button your lip
2. button your lip
3. keep a stiff upper lip
4. button your lip
5. keep a stiff upper lip

Page 5
Answers will vary.

Page 6
Answers will vary.

Page 7
1. a
2. b
3. bury the hatchet

Page 8
1. c
2. Answers will vary.

Page 9
1. b
2. Answers will vary.

Page 10
1. b
2. a

Idioms 181