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Wrangle Wild Words: A Pre-K Idiom Analysis Quiz

Preschoolers evaluate silly scenarios to distinguish between literal actions and figurative feelings during circle time or social-emotional learning blocks.

1. If a teacher says your class is 'in the same boat,' but there is no water in the classroom, what does she mean?

- A. Everyone is wearing a life jacket today.
- B. Everyone is facing the same problem or situation.
- C. The floor has turned into a giant ocean.
- D. It is time to go outside and play in a real boat.

2. True or False: If your mom says you are the 'apple of her eye,' she means there is actually a piece of fruit stuck inside her eyeball.

- A. True
- B. False

3. When a friend is very upset and you tell them to 'pull yourself together,' you are asking them to:

- A. Use glue to stick their hands to their legs.
- B. Find all their missing toys and put them in a pile.
- C. Calm down and try to feel steady again.
- D. Hug themselves as hard as they possibly can.

4. If someone tells you 'don't cry over spilled milk,' what are they evaluating about the situation?

- A. That you need to go buy a new cow immediately.
- B. That the floor is very thirsty for a white drink.
- C. That the milk is too cold to be on the floor.
- D. That the mistake is small and you shouldn't stay sad about it.

5. True or False: When a singer is told to 'break a leg' before a show, the person is wishing for the singer to get hurt.

- A. True
- B. False

6. If your dad says he has 'bigger fish to fry,' he is making a choice to focus on:

- A. A more important task than the one he is doing now.
- B. Going to the grocery store to buy a literal giant shark.
- C. Cleaning the kitchen stove with a frying pan.
- D. Taking you to an aquarium to look at whales.

7. Your friend says choosing a snack is 'a toss-up.' To understand her, you must realize she means:

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- A. She is going to throw her crackers into the air.
- B. She wants to play a game of catch with an orange.
- C. Two choices are both equally good and she can't decide.
- D. She is feeling sick and might lose her lunch.

8. True or False: If a teacher says 'zip your lips,' she wants you to find a metal zipper and attach it to your face.

- A. True
- B. False

9. When a story is described as 'going in circles,' the listener should evaluate that the story is:

- A. Drawn on a piece of paper shaped like a ball.
- B. Repeating the same ideas without getting to the end.
- C. About a race car driver moving around a track.
- D. So funny that it makes everyone dizzy and fall down.

10. If you are 'walking on eggshells' around a grumpy friend, you are being very careful because:

- A. You are trying out a new pair of shoes made of eggs.
- B. There are actual breakfast scraps all over the carpet.
- C. You don't want to make them more upset or angry.
- D. You are practicing how to walk very softly like a cat.