

# It's an Idiom Matching Game

Idioms are expressions unique to a language. If you say, "I smell a rat," in English, you don't literally mean that you have actually caught the scent of a small, pesky rodent known as a rat. It means that something is wrong or that someone is lying to you. See if you can match the idioms on the left with their meanings on the right. If you are feeling like an *eager beaver* today, choose three of the idioms below and write a sentence using each one on the back of this sheet. Or, if this is as *easy as pie*, try to write a story using all of the idioms below!

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| ___ 1. To smell a rat                   | a. To pay attention to what is implied              |
| ___ 2. From soup to nuts                | b. Stop doing something that is annoying            |
| ___ 3. A bookworm                       | c. Someone who spends too much time watching TV     |
| ___ 4. As easy as pie                   | d. To be on your best behavior                      |
| ___ 5. To be all ears                   | e. To criticize others for a fault that you possess |
| ___ 6. To read between the lines        | f. Someone who reads a lot                          |
| ___ 7. The pot calling the kettle black | g. Anxious or tense                                 |
| ___ 8. On pins and needles              | h. Very easy  |
| ___ 9. Mind you Ps and Qs               | i. To sense foul play                               |
| ___ 10. A couch potato                  | j. To listen eagerly                                |
| ___ 11. Cut it out!                     | k. Everything is included                           |