

IDIOMS WITH BRAIN

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EXERCISE 1.

Insert the idioms provided into the sentences below in the correct context. One sentence for each idiom. Sometimes the use of an appropriate possessive or personal pronoun will be necessary:

- *To be a no-brainer = something that requires little or no intelligence*

- *To brain someone = hit someone on the head with something*
- *Brain food = food that tends to help the functioning of the brain*
- *To rack one's brain = to search desperately for a solution or answer to something*
- *To tax one's brain = to exercise ones intellectual faculties excessively*
- *To have something on the brain = to think about something constantly*
- *To be brain – dead = a state in which the brain ceases to function*
- *To be small – brained = to be not so intelligent*
- *To be hair – brained = to be not very sensible or practical*

1. His mother encouraged him to eat fish in the belief that it was _____ and would help him with his school work.
2. He threatened to _____ with the baseball bat that his father had given him for Christmas.
3. The scheme was too _____ it would never work, even in such a ridiculous place like Batzwack!
4. He was loved by his colleagues even though they considered him rather _____ and wondered how he managed to tie his shoe laces without getting his fingers caught.
5. He couldn't stop thinking about the look on her face, it had been _____ all week.

6. “Don’t give it too much thought, I don’t want you to _____ too much”.

7. The solution was a real _____, he couldn’t believe that the detective had to give it so much thought.

8. The man’s head was caved in like a smashed pumpkin, obviously someone _____ him with a heavy, blunt object.

9. The detective _____ for an answer but nothing was forthcoming.

10. The man had been _____ for several years but no one had _____ noticed due to the force of routine and habit which gave his body and its movements a _____ sentient appearance.