

# IDIOMS WITH PARTS OF THE BODY

## IDIOMATIC EXPRESSIONS “PARTS OF THE BODY”

### EXERCISE 1.

Match the following body idioms with their meanings.

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| 1. to lose face             | a. a good idea/thought which comes unexpectedly or suddenly |
| 2. to make eyes at somebody | b. to welcome warmly with enthusiasm                        |

3. to have a brainwave                      c. a subject of disagreement or argument
4. to play music by ear                      d. to put a lot of effort into sth
5. to welcome with open arms            e. to play it from memory
6. to break the back of something        f. to be humiliated/to lose one's good reputation or respect of others
7. to take a back seat                      g. to finish the most difficult/the greater part of the work
8. a bone of contention                    h. to play an unimportant part in .....
9. to get one's teeth into s/thing        i. to look amorously at

## EXERCISE 2.

Fill in the gaps using the correct body idiom from above.

1. During our meeting we were thinking about new activities to do with the students, when one of the teachers \_\_\_\_\_.
2. While Karen was giving her presentation, I decided to \_\_\_\_\_ and let her do all the talking.
3. After turning up late for lessons every day in the last week, she \_\_\_\_\_ with her students.
4. The idea of closing the office for a week \_\_\_\_\_.
5. We've never seen eye to eye on this point. It's a real \_\_\_\_\_ between us.

6. I really enjoyed doing the new project my boss gave me to do. I \_\_\_\_\_ into it.
7. If we get the majority of this work done by the end of the week, we \_\_\_\_\_ of the project.
8. The musician played so well – he remembered the notes without needing to look at them. He \_\_\_\_\_.
9. My colleague at work is always \_\_\_\_\_. He wants to go out with me.