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## Lesson 152

### Idioms

**Idioms** are expressions that generally need explanations to be understood. Using idioms in your writing adds detail, as long as the reader knows the meaning of the idiom.

Read the following idioms, and write what you **think** it means:

1. We are just going to “hang loose”. \_\_\_\_\_
2. I really don’t “have a clue”. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Mom says I have to go “hit the books”. \_\_\_\_\_
4. That car is in “mint condition”. \_\_\_\_\_
5. What I said “went in one ear and out the other”. \_\_\_\_\_
6. He likes to eat “junk food”. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Just make sure there isn’t any “monkey business”. \_\_\_\_\_
8. This place is a “nut house”! \_\_\_\_\_
9. Please get “out of my hair”. \_\_\_\_\_
10. I hate it when I “pig out”. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Lesson 153

### Loose and Lose

Today we will look at two more confusing words.

**Loose:** means not tight. Example: My pants are **loose**.

**Lose:** means “to be defeated, or no longer have”.

Example: I hope we don’t **lose** the next game. I did not want to **lose** that picture!

Underline the correct word for each sentence:

1. Your shoelaces are (loose, lose).
2. Who let the dogs (loose, lose)?
3. Don’t (loose, lose) your lunch money!
4. I don’t want to (loose, lose) my mind!
5. I hope she does not (loose, lose) my phone number.

Write a sentence using the word **loose**. Write a sentence using the word **lose**.

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## Lesson 154

### Past and passed

Today we will look at two more confusing words.

**Past:** means “gone by” or “history”. Example: The truck drove **past** my house.

Example: That happened back in my **past**.

**Passed:** the past tense of pass. Example: We **passed** his car earlier.

Underline the correct word for each sentence:

1. I (past, passed) a note in math class.
2. She (past, passed) the milk to her brother.
3. I had a dream that in my (past, passed) I was a dinosaur.
4. I spent the (past, passed) year in Europe.
5. The quarterback (past, passed) the football to the receiver.

Write a sentence using the word **past**. Write a sentence using the word **passed**.

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## Lesson 155

### Threw and through

Today we will look at two more confusing words.

**Threw:** the past tense of throw. Example: He **threw** the ball to his friend.

**Through:** means from “end to end”. Example: Alice went **through** the looking glass.

Underline the correct word for each sentence:

1. Jimmy (threw, through) the water balloon at George.
2. We drove (threw, through) the tunnel.
3. The toddler walked (threw, through) the mud puddles.
4. We went over the river and (threw, through) the woods.
5. Henry (threw, through) the ball (threw, through) the front door.

Write a sentence using the word **threw**. Write a sentence using the word **through**.

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