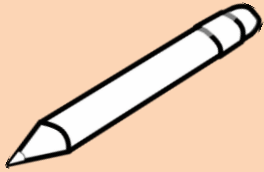




Topic

Conversation
for Idioms

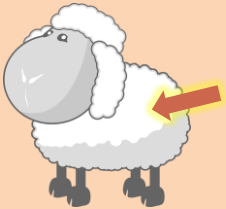
Lesson 13
Truths and Lies



(**white, black**) lies



taking their employees for a (**hike, ride**)



pull the (**wool, stool**) over one's eyes



take something with a grain of (**salt, pepper**)

1. Sometimes telling **white lies** may be the only option to not offend people.

Did you know?

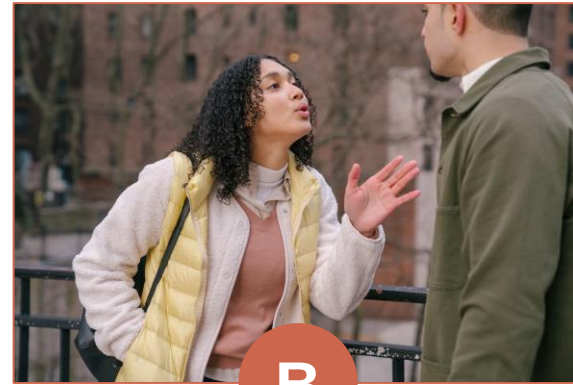
Initially, there was no color attached to the kind of lie that was told. The term 'white lie' originated in the 1740s and refers to the idea that white is good and pure, and black is the polar opposite of it. White was seen as pure and free of any immorality. Thus, if a lie is white, it is not meant to inflict any damage.

2. Be careful when you talk to Marie. She might **pull the wool over your eyes** so that you will give her what she wants.

Choose the picture that best describes the idiom.



A



B

3. Some companies are **taking their employees for a ride**; assuring them bonuses that do not happen.

What does the idiom mean?

to deliberately deceive or cheat someone

to tell someone the truth without hiding anything



Have you ever tried deceiving someone?

How would you react if you found out that you were being deceived?

4. I am reminding you to **take everything Erica says with a grain of salt**. Don't forget that she always makes things up.



Guess the meaning of the idiom.



Create a sentence using the idiom.



Quick Review

white lie

a harmless lie, especially told to avoid hurting someone

take someone for a ride

to deliberately deceive or cheat someone

TRUTHS



&



LIES

pull the wool over someone's eyes

to deceive someone in hopes of taking advantage of them

take something with a grain of salt

to not completely believe something you are told

Practice

Tell whether the sentence is correct or incorrect.

1

He prefers to tell some white lies in order not to hurt someone's feelings.

2

I don't want to take anyone for a ride because I want to let them believe something that is not true.

3

Someone who takes all things with a grain of salt is careful of some unreliable information.

4

A person who wants to pull over someone's eyes doesn't want to deceive anyone.

Practice

Choose the idiom to complete the sentence.
Change their forms where needed.

white lies

take everything with a grain of salt

take someone for a ride

pull the wool over one's eyes

1

I never trust anyone who financially takes advantage of me. I won't let any person _____.

2

I will never agree to tell some _____ to anyone. It is best to let them know the truth, even if it hurts.

Practice

Choose the idiom to complete the sentence.
Change their forms where needed.

white lies

take everything with a grain of salt

take someone for a ride

pull the wool over one's eyes

3

Everyone is advised to _____ in this modern world. There is false information everywhere.

4

Mr. Watson is a wise man. He cannot be simply deceived. You cannot easily _____.

Discussion

Complete the table of TRUTHS and LIES and answer some questions.

How often do you ...

ALWAYS

SOMETIMES

NEVER

tell white lies to people?

take someone for a ride?

check for sources?

get lied to by people?