



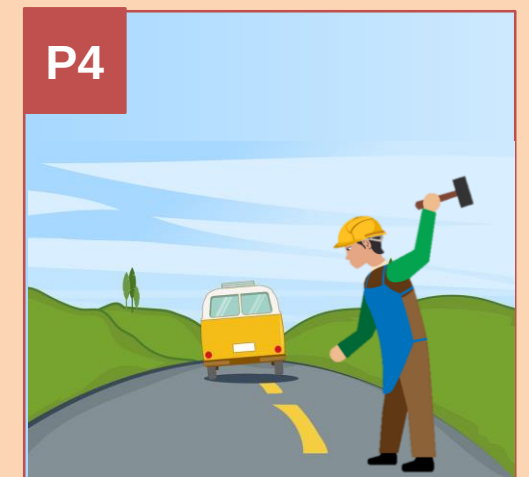
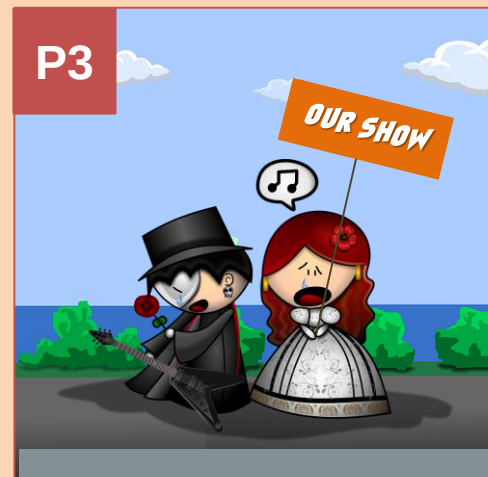
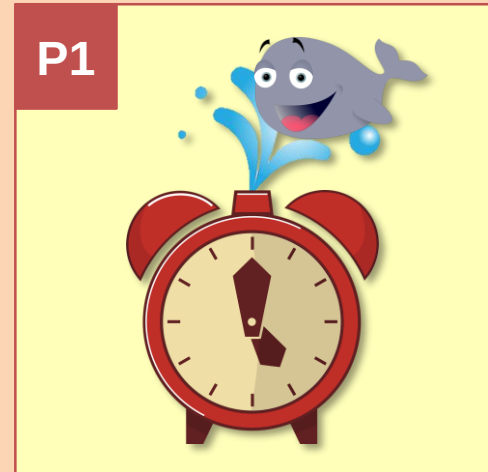
Topic

Conversation
for Idioms

Lesson 31
Travel

Match the idioms and the pictures.

- 1 hit the road
- 2 at a snail's pace
- 3 have a whale of a time
- 4 get the show on the road



1. It is a three-hour drive from here to the venue. We should **hit the road** now.

What does the idiom mean?

to have a good time or enjoy

to leave or begin a journey



2. My mother will be mad at me because I am moving **at a snail's pace**. I should move quicker.



Guess the meaning of the idiom.



Create a sentence using the idiom.



3. We **had a whale of a time** at the party last night that we did not want to go home.

Origin


The huge size of whales led sailors in the 1900s to think that a whale has a great capacity or appetite for something. Thus, the idiom is used to describe that someone has a large appetite for doing something at a certain time in his/her life.

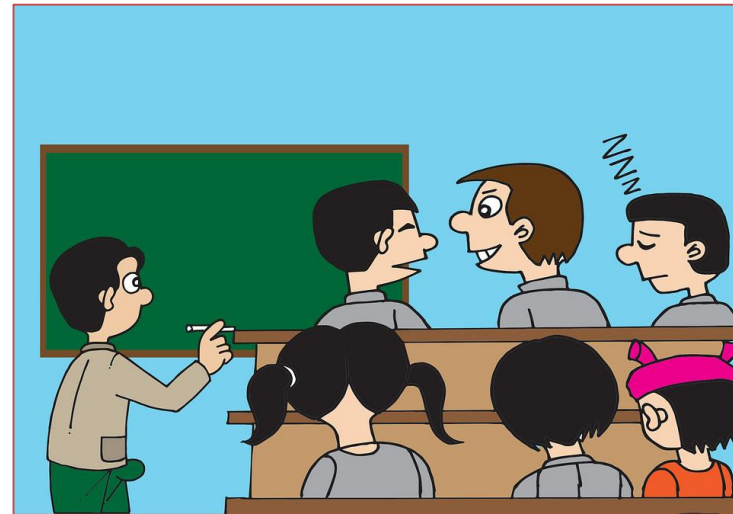


4. People are already tired of waiting. Let us **get the show on the road** before they start going home.

Meaning

to begin an activity that has been planned

 How do you plan your activities in a day?



Quick Review

hit the road

to leave or begin a journey

have a whale of a time

to enjoy oneself very much



at a snail's pace

extremely slowly

get the show on the road

to begin an activity that has been planned

Practice

Arrange the jumbled words to complete the sentence.

1



road / I / this / on / should / get / the / show

_____ before it is too late.

2



a / had / the / team / time / of / whale / a

_____ last night celebrating their victory.

Practice

Arrange the jumbled words to complete the sentence.

3



snail's / car / at / he / the / drove / a / pace

_____, so I was 15 minutes late for school.

4



road / let / hit / now / us / the

_____. We still have a long way to go.

Practice

Make a second sentence using the idioms given.

1

Traffic is worse in the morning. = hit the road

2

Tomorrow is the deadline. = at a snail's pace

3

Lina went on a trip. = have a whale of a time

4

Everything is ready now. = get the show on the road

Discussion

Race to reach all the destinations with your teacher.

 Player 1

 Player 2

