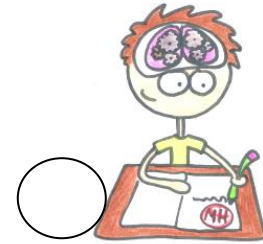
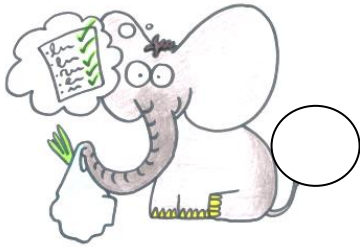


1. Read the sentences below. Match the idioms in bold with their definitions.

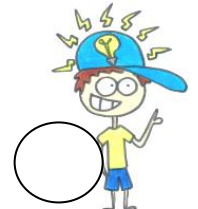
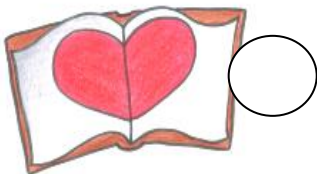
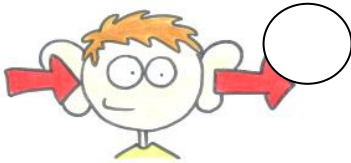
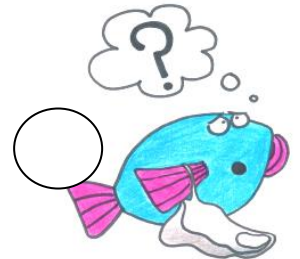
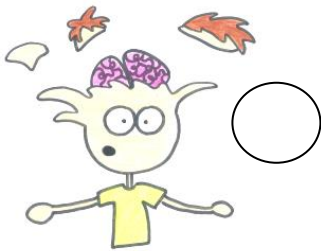
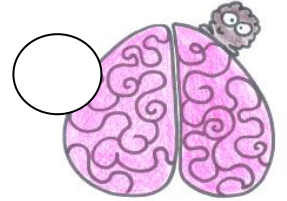
1. You shouldn't **learn** grammar rules **by heart**. The key to success is to understand them!
2. The view from the hotel window **blew my mind**. It was gorgeous!
3. I keep forgetting things. I **have a memory like a fish**.
4. Does this name **ring a bell** to you? You must have already met this man before.
5. Don't guess! **Put your thinking cap on** and do this Maths exercise properly.
6. I **have my final exams on the brain**. I'm so scared that I can't think about anything else.
7. John **has a memory like an elephant**. He remembers everything he hears in class so he doesn't have to revise for tests or exams.
8. My mum says that I never listen to her and everything she says **goes in one ear and out the other**. This might be kind of true.
9. My little sister is such **a copycat**. She wears the same clothes, listens to the same music and reads the same books as me. It really gets on my nerves!
10. I've **racked my brain** all night how to find the money to pay off my debts but I haven't come up with any idea yet.

1. To have a very poor memory. →.....
2. To have a very good memory. →.....
3. When you hear something but don't remember it after a while. →.....
4. When you think you've already heard or seen the thing before. →.....
5. To learn something so well that you can recite it without thinking. →.....
6. To start thinking about something seriously. →.....
7. To surprise or amaze someone. →.....
8. To think about one thing all the time. →.....
9. To think very hard to solve a problem. →.....
10. A person who imitates others. →.....

2. Fill in the missing words. Match the idioms with the pictures.



1. have a like an elephant
2. have a memory like a
3. learn by
4. put you thinking on
5. a copy.....
6. in one and out the other
7. have sth on the
8. rack one's
9. ring a
10. blow one's



3. Listen to the definitions and number the pictures.



4. Match.

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| 1. have a memory | ___ by heart |
| 2. in one ear | ___ one's brain |
| 3. learn | ___ on the brain |
| 4. ring | ___ like a fish |
| 5. put | ___ an elephant |
| 6. rack | ___ and out of the other |
| 7. have something | ___ one's mind |
| 8. blow | ___ a bell |
| 9. have a memory like | ___ your thinking cap on |


5. Rewrite the sentences using idioms.

1. Mark thinks about Mary all the time. →.....
2. Ben always forgets things. →.....
3. You never listen to what I say. →.....
4. Let's think about the problem seriously! →.....
5. Wow! You've learnt this poem really well. →.....
6. Think hard and you'll find a solution. →.....
7. This song sounds familiar. →.....
8. Sue is good at remembering things. →.....
9. Holly always imitates her friends. →.....
10. The surprise will be very exciting! →.....

6. Explain the meaning of the sayings below.

- Where there is a will, there is a way.
- Out of sight, out of mind.
- A little knowledge is a dangerous thing.
- Knowledge is power.

REMEMBER



You are never too old
to learn.

7. Ask your partner the following questions. Take turns.

1. When was the last time you had to **rack your brain** thinking about a problem?
2. Is being a **copycat** always bad? Why?
3. What advice can you give to a person who **has a memory like a fish**?
4. Name some jobs that people with **a memory like an elephant** are good at.
5. What do you do when you meet someone whose face **rings a bell**, but you don't remember their name?
6. Talk about a movie/video you've watched recently that **blew your mind**.
7. What do you do when you have to **learn something by heart**?
8. Explain this quote: "Treat compliments and criticism the same way: **in one ear and out the other**"
9. What do you do when you **have something on your brain** and you can't fall asleep?
10. What do you think a "**thinking cap**" looks like? Draw your design below:



8. Play the Taboo Game.

Cut out the cards. Play in groups of three. One person takes the card, one tries to guess the idiom and one is a referee. Switch roles after each round. The objective of the game is for a player to have their partner guess the idiom on the player's card without using the idiom itself or the three additional words listed on the card.

<p>TO LEARN BY HEART</p> <p>memory memorise perfectly</p>	<p>HAVE A MEMORY LIKE AN ELEPHANT</p> <p>forget remember forever</p>
<p>HAVE A MEMORY LIKE A FISH</p> <p>forget remember always</p>	<p>PUT YOUR THINKING CAP ON</p> <p>think seriously brain</p>
<p>A COPYCAT</p> <p>imitate exactly follow</p>	<p>IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER</p> <p>hear remember attention</p>
<p>HAVE STH ON THE BRAIN</p> <p>think only one</p>	<p>RACK ONE'S BRAIN</p> <p>problem think solution</p>
<p>RING A BELL</p> <p>remember remind before</p>	<p>BLOW ONE'S MIND</p> <p>surprise impress amazing</p>