

- A. A person's weak spot. **Achilles heel.**
- B. A person who is bad and makes other bad . **Bad Apple**
- C. A relaxed, quiet time immediately before period of violent activity or argument .**Calm before the storm.**
- D. If you are overcharged or underpaid, open, unfair and hard to prevent. Rip-off has a similar meaning. **daylight robbery.**
- E. If someone has **egg on their face**, they are made to look foolish or embarrassed.
- F. If you have to **face the music**, you have to accept the negative consequences of something you have done wrong.
- G. If you **get something off your chest**, you confess to something that has been troubling you.
- H. If someone is **happy-go-lucky**, they don't worry or plan and accept things as they happen.
- I. This expression is used to refer to something good that happens on top of an already good thing or situation. **Icing on the cake**
- J. If people are **joined at the hip**, they are very closely connected and think the same way.
- K. When someone kicks the bucket, they die.
- L. The **last straw** is the final problem that makes someone lose their temper or the problem that finally brought about the collapse of something. It comes from an Arabic story, where a camel was loaded with straw until a single straw placed on the rest of the load broke its back.
- M. If you make a killing, you do something that makes you a lot of money.
- N. If two competitors or candidates, etc, are **neck and neck**, then they are very close and neither is clearly winning.
- O. If you're **on a roll**, you're moving from success to success.
- P. If you go out for a night out with lots of fun and drinking, you **paint the town red.**
- Q. If someone's as **quiet as a mouse**, they make absolutely no noise.
- R. Someone who starts life very poor and becomes rich goes from **rags to riches.**
- S. When all the best people, things or ideas and so on are used up and people try to make do with what they have left, they are **scraping the barrel.**
- T. If you **take a leaf out of someone's book**, you copy something they do because it will help you.
- U. If you are feeling a bit ill, sad or lack energy, you are **under the weather.**
- V. **A vicious circle** is a sequence of events that make each other worse- someone drinks because they are unhappy at work, then loses their job... 'Vicious cycle' is also used.
- W. If something belongs to the past and isn't important or troubling any more, it is **water under the bridge.**
- X. If something is **x-rated**, it is not suitable for children.
- Y. This idiom means that if you do something for me, I'll return the favour. **You scratch my back, I'll scratch yours.**
- Z. This is used to tell someone to be quiet. **Zip it.**