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Read the sentences below. Find the idiom that best completes the sentence and glue it into the correct box.

1	I became so tired and could not finish the long race today. I...	
2	Marty spoiled the surprise party. I can't believe he...	
3	Ivan is so funny and tells the best jokes. I always...	
4	Fred was the only one on the team with a red shirt. He...	
5	Pedro was so excited when he won the spelling bee. He...	

★ Explain the meaning of each idiom to a partner.



let the cat out  
of the bag

was on top  
of the world

ran out  
of steam

get a kick  
out of him

stuck out like  
a sore thumb

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Read the sentences below. Find the idiom that best completes the sentence and glue it into the correct box.

1 Jake is so upset that his team lost. He is...	
2 I am too busy to help him today. I am...	
3 Tess is in trouble for not doing her chores. She is...	
4 Fiona has a cold and missed school today. She is...	
5 We got lost in the woods without a map. We were...	

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in hot water	down in the dumps	in a pickle	tied up	under the weather
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Read each story below and look for the idioms. Then, underline the idioms in each story and answer the questions using complete sentences.

1 Rita was all ears when Lee told her the secret. Lee knew that Rita would not spill the beans. Rita has always been a true friend and has a heart of gold.

a Rita was all ears. What does this mean?

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b Was Lee worried about telling Rita her secret?

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c Rita has a heart of gold. What is a word that can describe Rita?

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2 Julia has cold feet about sledding down the big hill. Her friends hope that she does not chicken out. They had a ball when they sled down that same hill.

a Julia has cold feet. How does she feel?

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b What will happen if Julia chickens out?

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c Do you think her friends will sled down the hill again? Why or why not?

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★ Read each story to a partner and explain the meaning of the idioms.

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Read each story below and look for the idioms. Then, underline the idioms in each story and answer the questions using complete sentences.

1 Max was tied up with tennis practice this afternoon and has not had much time to do his homework. If he does not finish his book report today, he will be in hot water with his teacher. He is already on thin ice since his last book report was late.

a Max was tied up with tennis practice. What does this mean?

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b Max may be in hot water with his teacher. How will his teacher feel?

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c He is already on thin ice. Why?

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2 Because Mindy is under the weather, she does not have to do her chores. She is off the hook! Instead, she will catch some Zs and will hopefully feel better tomorrow.

a Mindy is under the weather. What does this mean?

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b Mindy is off the hook and does not have to do her chores. Why?

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c Mindy is going to catch some Zs. What is she going to do?

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Draw a line to connect each idiom to its correct meaning.

<u>Idiom</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
<sup>1</sup> to get up on the wrong side of the bed means	to be extremely happy
<sup>2</sup> to be on pins and needles means	to wait in suspense
<sup>3</sup> to be on cloud nine means	to be in a tricky situation
<sup>4</sup> to be in a pickle means	to be in a bad mood

<u>Idiom</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
<sup>5</sup> to stay on your toes means	to tell a secret
<sup>6</sup> to sleep on it means	to pay attention
<sup>7</sup> to hit the nail on the head means	to take time to think about it
<sup>8</sup> to spill the beans means	to be right

★ Choose an idiom from above and write a sentence using the idiom.