

● ENGLSKI ZA RADOZNALE

Malo „mozganja“, malo vežbanja

A) Matching

Match each word or phrase in the first column with the word or phrase in the second column that produces a common saying or idiom.

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| 1. a bird in the hand | a. the goose |
| 2. birds of a feather | b. peace |
| 3. bird- | c. the chicken or the egg |
| 4. stool | d. is worth two in the bush |
| 5. bird's eye | e. as an owl |
| 6. to kill two birds | f. one's neck |
| 7. to get | g. catches the worm |
| 8. which came first | h. pigeon |
| 9. he eats | i. with one stone |
| 10. what's sauce for the goose | j. brained |
| 11. as blind/stupid | k. like an ostrich |
| 12. to bury one's head in the sand | l. like a bird |
| 13. crane | m. is sauce for the gander |
| 14. dove of | n. view |
| 15. the early bird | o. flock together |

A) Key: 1d, 2o, 3j, 4h, 5n, 6i, 7a, 8c, 9l, 10m, 11e, 12k, 13f, 14b, 15g.

1. *a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush* = bolje vrabac u ruci nego golub na grani

2. *birds of a feather flock together* = svaka ptica svome jatu leti

3. *bird-brained* = (kol.) pilećeg mozga

4. *stool pigeon* = *stoolpigeon* = (AmE kol.) drukara, policijski doušnik, provokator

5. *bird's eye view* = ptičija perspektiva

6. *to kill two birds with one stone* = jednim udarcem ubiti dve muve

7. *to get the goose* = biti izviždan (u pozorištu i sl.)

8. *which came first: the chicken or the egg?* = šta je starije: kokoška ili jaje?

9. *he eats like a bird* = malo jede

10. *what's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander* = što važi za jednog, važi i za ostale; što je dobro za jednog dobro je i za drugog

11. *as blind/stupid as an owl* = slep/glup kao sova, potpuno slep, glup

12. *to bury one's head in the sand* = (fig.) zabiti glavu u pesak kao noj

13. *crane one's neck* = izdužiti vrat
 14. *dove of peace* = golub mira
 15. *the early bird catches the worm* = ko rano rani, dve sreće grabi

B) Matching

Complete the dialogues using the sentences below.

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| 1. Gee, I'm angry! | a. Take a nap. |
| 2. Gee, I'm hungry! | b. Calm down. |
| 3. Gee, I'm sleepy! | c. Sit down for a while. |
| 4. Gee, it's chilly in here! | d. Take them off. |
| 5. Gee, it's hot in here! | e. Scratch it. |
| 6. I'm bored. | f. Open a window. |
| 7. I'm lonely. | g. Put on a sweater. |
| 8. I've got a headache. | h. Go to the dentist. |
| 9. I've got a toothache. | i. Call up a friend. |
| 10. I've got the hiccups. | j. Have a sandwich. |
| 11. My feet hurt. | k. Drink some water. |
| 12. My shoes are tight. | l. Go to a movie. |
| 13. My nose itches. | m. Take some aspirin. |

Key: 1b, 2j, 3a, 4g, 5f, 6l, 7i, 8m, 9h, 10k, 11c, 12d, 13e

C) SIMILES

Complete the similes with the correct words: a bat, a bee, coal, crystal, a doorpost, an eel, a feather, a fiddle, a fox, a ghost/snow, grass, the grave, iron, a judge, a king, a lamb, a lark, lightning, a lion, a mouse, a new pin, an owl, a pancake, a peacock, a rake, a snail, a swan, thieves, velvet, the weather

- as black as...
 as blind as...
 as brave as...
 as bright as...
 as busy as...
 as changeable as...
 as clean as...

as clear as...
as cunning as...
as deaf as...
as fit as...
as flat as...
as gentle as...
as graceful as...
as green as...
as happy as...
as hard as...
as light as...
as proud as...
as quick as...
as quiet as...
as silent as...
as slippery as...
as slow as...
as smooth as...
as sober as...
as thick as...
as thin as...
as white as...
as wise as...

Key: as black as **coal**; as blind as **a bat**; as brave as **a lion**; as bright as **a lark**; as busy as **a bee**;
as changeable as **the weather**; as clean as **a new pin**; as clear as **crystal**;
as cunning as **a fox**; as deaf as **a doorpost**; as fit as **a fiddle**; as flat as **a pancake**;
as gentle as **a lamb**; as graceful as **a swan**; as green as **grass**; as happy as **a king**;
as hard as **iron**; as light as **a feather**; as proud as **a peacock**; as quick as **lightning**;
as quiet as **a mouse**; as silent as **the grave**; as slippery as **an eel**; as slow as **a snail**;
as smooth as **velvet**; as sober as **a judge**; as thick as **thieves**; as thin as **a rake**;
as white as **a ghost/as snow**; as wise as **an owl**