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# Idiom Detective

**Directions:** Below is a short comic book-themed story that contains several idioms. Your job is to read the story and underline the idioms. (Hint: there are five idioms) Then, answer the challenge question below.

As soon as Captain Velocity entered the villain's lair, he knew he was walking on thin ice. The villain, Doctor Chaos, had set up traps all around the room. Captain Velocity had to think on his feet and come up with a plan fast. Doctor Chaos tried to use his secret weapon, but Captain Velocity managed to escape by the skin of his teeth just in time. In the end, Captain Velocity pulled it off by figuring out how to stop the weapon and took down the villain. His sidekick, Speedster, was so proud and said, "You really nailed it this time, Captain!"

Comic book stories frequently use idioms to describe a hero's actions. How do you think idioms add excitement to a story?

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