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● ● ● Idiom Rewrite ● ● ●

Directions: Here are some sentences with idioms. Rewrite each sentence without using the idiom, but keep the original meaning.

1. When Lindsey spilled juice on her homework, she knew it was no use crying over spilled milk.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

2. Kevin decided to let sleeping dogs lie and didn't bring up the argument again.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

3. After weeks of brainstorming, Jenna finally hit on an idea out of the blue.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

4. Rupert promised to keep the secret, but he ended up letting the cat out of the bag.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

5. The coach told the team to get their act together before the championship game.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

6. When Colin realized he forgot his lines during the play, he knew he had to think outside the box to save the scene.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

7. Samantha was feeling nervous about her presentation, but her teacher told her to just play it by ear.



Rewritten Sentence: _____

8. No one believed Edwin's wild story—it sounded like he was just pulling their leg.



Rewritten Sentence: _____