



Reptiles, Fish and Insects Idioms Exercise

A Match the idioms with their meanings and then translate them.

Idiom	Meaning	Translation
1- To have a bee in your bonnet	... a – dangerous person ⇨
2- To cry crocodile tears	... b – fake sadness ⇨
3- As slippery as an eel	... c – not open or frank ⇨
4- A snake in the grass	... d – bothered about sth* ⇨

* sth = something

B Circle the correct answer.

1 A: Rosie wasn't really sad about David's divorce from Clare.

B: Yeah. She

- A cried crocodile tears
- B had a bee in her bonnet
- C she's a snake in the grass

2 A: The boss is in a very strange mood this morning.

B: I know. She's

- A being as slippery as an eel
- B got a bee in her bonnet
- C being a snake in the grass

3 A: I don't trust that new guy in the office.

B: Me neither. I think he

- A cries crocodile tears
- B has a flea in his ear
- C is a snake in the grass

4 A: Shaun never gives me a straight answer.

B: I know. He

- A is a snake in the grass
- B has a flea in his ear
- C is as slippery as an eel

5 A: What's up with Pete? He seems upset.

B: Yes. He's definitely

- A got a flea in his ear
- B a snake in the grass
- C as slippery as an eel

6 A: Nobody seemed very sad at the funeral.

B: I know. I saw more than a few

- A bees in people's bonnets
- B fleas in people's ears
- C crocodile tears

7 A: When I asked Nigel about last night he avoided my questions.

B: Yes. He's

- A as slippery as an eel
- B got a flea in his ear
- C C a snake in the grass

8 A: What do think of Catherine?

B: Uuf! I don't trust her at all. In my opinion, she's

- A got a bee in her bonnet
- B as slippery as an eel
- C a snake in the grass





Answers

A 1D 2B 3C 4A

B 1A 2B 3C 4C 5A 6C 7A 8C

