



London Slang Exercise

A Match the idioms with their meaning and translate them.

Idiom	Meaning	Translation
1- Do me a lemon	... a – I'm warning you ⇔
2- You're 'avin' a larf(sic)	... b – You're hopeless ⇔
3- You couldn't run a whelk stall	... c – You're out of line ⇔
4- D'you like hospital food	... d – You're joking ⇔
5- 'Ave a word with yourself	... e That's not true! ⇔

B Circle the correct answer.

1 A: Dave! I've won the lottery.

B:

A D'you like hospital food

B You're 'avin' a larf

C You couldn't run a whelk stall

2 A: I'm going to the pictures with your girlfriend.

B:

A D'you like hospital food

B Do me a lemon

C You couldn't run a whelk stall

3 A: I'm going to have my breasts enlarged.

B:

A D'you like hospital food

B Do me a lemon

C 'Ave a word with yourself

4 A: Can I borrow another 100 quid then?

B:

A You couldn't run a whelk stall

B You're 'avin' a larf

C Do me a lemon

5 A: Nigel's been promoted to manager.

B: Oh my God. He

A couldn't run a whelk stall

B 's 'avin' a larf

C likes hospital food

6 A: Everything and everyone's against me.

B:

A You couldn't run a whelk stall

B You're 'avin' a larf

C 'Ave a word with yourself

7 A: Let me use your car for the weekend.

B:

A You couldn't run a whelk stall

B You're 'avin' a larf

C Beggars can't be choosers

8 A: I'm going to tell your parents you smoke.

B:

A You couldn't run a whelk stall

B You're 'avin' a larf

C D'you like hospital food





Answers

A 1E 2D 3B 4A 5C

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

