



## Understanding Idioms and Proverbs

### Today's Standard

5.L.5b - Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs.

Cues	Notes
What is an idiom?	An idiom is a phrase or expression that has a figurative meaning different from its literal meaning.
What is a proverb?	A proverb is a short, commonly known saying that expresses a general truth or piece of advice.
Examples of idioms	Examples of idioms: 'Break the ice', 'Piece of cake', 'Raining cats and dogs'.
Examples of proverbs	Examples of proverbs: 'Actions speak louder than words', 'The early bird catches the worm', 'A stitch in time saves nine'.
Why are idioms and proverbs important?	Idioms and proverbs are important because they enrich language, convey cultural wisdom, and enhance communication.

### Summary

Idioms and proverbs are figurative expressions that convey meanings different from their literal definitions. Understanding them is crucial for effective communication and cultural literacy.