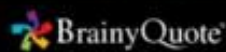


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Ex. 1 Look at the words and translate them into Russian

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Ex. 2 Choose whether the idiom positive or negative.

- 1 I was on cloud nine all day.
- 2 The boss was in a really black mood this morning.
- 3 He's been going round like a bear with a sore head all day.
- 4 Everyone seems to be in high spirits tonight.
- 5 I felt browned off with the situation
- 6 She seems to be keeping her chin up.
- 7 You're looking down in the dumps. What happened?
- 8 He had a face as long as a fiddle.
- 9 Lily's as happy as the day is long.
- 10 She was over the moon when she heard the news.

Ex. 3

1. as happy as the day is long
2. to be on cloud nine
3. to keep her chin up
4. to be like a bear with a sore head
5. feeling all in
6. to be under the weather
7. at death's door
8. to frighten the life out of

- a. exhausted
- b. very scared indeed
- c. happy despite bad things
- d. extremely content
- e. extremely irritable
- f. very sick or ill
- g. not very well /ill
- h. extremely pleased/happy

Ex 4 Complete the idioms in these sentences with the most suitable word.

- 1 Don't creep up behind me like that! You ...
  - a. frightened the life out of me
  - b. were at death's door
  - c. were like a bear with a sore head
  - d. were on cloud nine
- 2 I don't need a doctor, I just feel a bit
  - a. like a bear with a sore head
  - b. scared stiff
  - c. under the weather
  - d. as happy as the day is long

- 3 As long as he has his car to work on, he is
- shaking in his shoes
  - as happy as the day is long
  - feeling all in
  - at death's door
- 4 Last year, when I won that medal, I really was
- keeping my chin up
  - scared stiff
  - on cloud nine
  - scared out of my wits
- 5 I wasn't expecting such a loud bang; I nearly
- jumped out of my skin
  - could eat a horse
  - was looking a bit under the weather
  - was like a bear with a sore head
- 6 I've had nothing since lunch; I ...
- kept my chin up
  - could eat a horse
  - felt as if my head was going round
  - was on cloud nine
- 7 I feel a bit down this week; last week I was
- in high spirits
  - all shaking in my shoes
  - looking a bit under the weather
  - feeling all in

Ex. 5 Complete the sentences with suitable idiom

scared stiff	to be on cloud nine	like a bear with a sore head
as happy as the day is long	as if my head was going	a bit under the weather
at death's door	round	

- Jo has bought a new car. He doesn't have to go to work by bus any more, he is ...
- Mary had to rewrite her article for the third time. She was...
- Jack has proposed to Sue. She seems ... these days.
- You look very pale. Is everything OK? You're looking ....
- Ambulance took Will to the hospital. He was almost ...! But eventually everything became better.
- I was ... when I was watching that new horror movie.
- I suddenly felt .... That's because I drank too little water.

Ex 6 Using the idioms from 79.1 and from A opposite, say how you would probably feel if...

- you were told you had just won a vast sum of money.
- your boss said you had to do again a piece of work you'd already done three times.
- you were told you'd got a very high mark in an exam.
- you had a bad toothache and your neighbor was making a lot of noise late at night.
- nothing seemed to have gone right for you that day
- someone you were secretly in love with told you they were in love with you.