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Learning Activity Sheet Getting the Meanings of Idioms and Collocations

A. Identify the underlined phrase in each sentence as either idiom or collocation. Write your answer in the blank.

- _____ 1. Take a look at the new cell phone jackets that I am selling.
- _____ 2. Put your feet on the ground as I measure the width of your hemline.
- _____ 3. He was bored, so he asked me to give him something to play with.
- _____ 4. Bring some crackers so you will not get hungry on the trip.
- _____ 5. You need to speak out so the crowd would hear you.

B. Read the expressions and examples carefully. Identify the meaning of it by using collocations and context clues. Write your answer in the space provided. Use the given example as a guide. 2 points each.

Afrikaans Expression	Example	Meaning of the Expression
Example: “All jokes on a stick”	Example: ”All jokes on a stick, the facts speak for themselves. African really is a huge continent.”	Example: “All jokes on a stick” means “joking aside”, “no jokes”, or “speaking seriously”
“Hang onto a branch”	“Thank you for your order. Hang onto a branch while I get your total.”	
“Search for a sausage in a dog stable”	“Seriously, this new video game is so hot finding a copy is like searching for a sausage in a dogs stable”	
“Kitten of the track”	“Natasha is the kitten of the track. She is definitely the life of every party.”	
“Don’t shake the chicken”	“Don’t shake the chicken. Too much K-drama binge-watching might give you a headache.”	
“Let the baboon out of the sleeve”	The critic really let the baboon out of the sleeve when he blogged about the Justice Avengers’ ending.”	