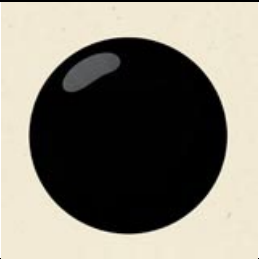
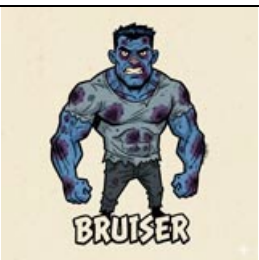


Common Phrases 12

Everyday conversations are filled with common sayings and idioms, which are phrases with meanings different from the literal interpretation of the words. Using them makes conversation sound more natural and authentic. Common [Phrases](#) 12 (an idiom in conversation): A group of two or more words that functions as a single unit in a sentence. It doesn't usually contain both a subject and a verb (unless it's a verb phrase). They are the basic building blocks of sentences, like "on the table," "a big, green dragon," or "walking quickly." They often function as descriptions (adjective phrases) or explain how, where, or when (adverbial phrases). Below there are 20 common phrases used in many conversations, shown as pictures.

What meaning do you get from them? What is the phrase conveyed? They might have regional variations?

			
Ahead of time	dead man's boots	Behind the times	Blackball
			
hit the sack	come down like a ton of bricks	does a bear sh1t in the woods	take the wind out of his sails
			
Grease someone's palm	Blue collar	Explore all avenues	Black and blue
			
Cash cow	Killing time	hold feet to the fire	pulling strings
			
Dead-end job	Beat the clock	Lump in your throat	Cut the mustard