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Replace the Missing Letters

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Tokens (for scorekeeping); prizes (small) for winner(s)

Overview:

Fill in the missing letters to reveal a list of **ANIMAL IDIOMS**.

Instructions:

- 1. Write the first clue on a white board or easel large enough for all to see. Be sure to place empty lines where the letters are missing.
- 2. Allow players to shout out answers.
- 3. Instead of scoring, you might consider passing out a token (for example, a poker chip, or a piece of cardboard, or a spare button) to the first person you hear shout out the correct answer.
- 4. When the game is over, the person with the most tokens wins the game. You might consider giving him or her a lottery ticket or a special chocolate bar for that achievement.



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  PPY ● L E
2.
  O • OG • IL
  HI E ● EP NT
5. C _ CO _ LE • _ ARS
  ON Y • BU NE S
7. NE US • A • A • A
  T _ _ • LI _ _ 'S • _ HA _ E
9. FI • O • T • AIT
  IC • S • A • B NY
  A \bullet L \bullet O \bullet T E \bullet WA
 LD ● OO ● HA E
12.
13. _ _ AT • A • _ EA _ • _ OR _ E
14. UN • S • A • S UN
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ANSWERS

- 1. HOLY COW
- 2. PUPPY LOVE
- 3. GO HOG WILD
- 4. WHITE ELEPHANT
- 5. CROCODILE TEARS
- 6. MONKEY BUSINESS
- 7. NERVOUS AS A CAT
- 8. THE LION'S SHARE
- 9. FISH OR CUT BAIT
- 10. QUICK AS A BUNNY
- 11. A FLY ON THE WALL
- 12. WILD GOOSE CHASE
- 13. BEAT A DEAD HORSE
- 14. DRUNK AS A SKUNK