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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 **COMMON IDIOMS AND SAYINGS**.

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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1. E _ T • LI _ E • A • B _ _ D
2. R _ _ E • OF • T _ U _ B
3. D _ _ NK • LI _ E • A • F _ _ H
4. _ IC _ • THE • BU _ _ ET
5. BA _ K • _ EAT • DR _ _ ER
6. _ UT • T _ • TH _ E • C _ ASE
7. _ ITE • _ OUR • TON _ _ E
8. _ EA _ • O _ ER • _ _ ELS
9. LO _ _ • I _ • _ HE • _ _ OTH
10. _ TAR _ • _ RO _ • SCRAT _ _
11. _ NDE _ • T _ _ • W _ A _ _ ER
12. _ LL • BA _ _ • AN _ • _ O • BI _ E
13. A • DRO _ • I _ • TH _ • BU _ _ ET
14. A • _ LE _ _ ING • I _ • DI _ _ UI _ E

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ANSWERS

1. EAT LIKE A BIRD
2. RULE OF THUMB
3. DRINK LIKE A FISH
4. KICK THE BUCKET
5. BACK SEAT DRIVER
6. CUT TO THE CHASE
7. BITE YOUR TONGUE
8. HEAD OVER HEELS
9. LONG IN THE TOOTH
10. START FROM SCRATCH
11. UNDER THE WEATHER
12. ALL BARK AND NO BITE
13. A DROP IN THE BUCKET
14. A BLESSING IN DISGUISE