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Common Assessment: Standard L.4.5b

Directions: Match each idiom to its meaning.

_____ Mrs. McAllister brings home the bacon.

_____ Curiosity killed the cat.

_____ You can't have your cake and eat it too!

_____ A picture is worth a thousand words.

_____ You are what you eat.

_____ You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink.

A) What you eat is important. If you eat a healthy diet, you will be healthy. If you eat a poor diet, you will be unhealthy.

B) You earn money that supports the family.

C) Sometimes words are not enough to convey information.

D) Being too curious could lead to finding out things you don't want to know.

E) You can't have it all.

F) You can tell or show someone something but they still have to want to do it for themselves.

Directions: Write the meanings for the following idioms.

It rained cats and dogs.

It cost an arm and a leg.

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Common Assessment: Standard L.4.5b (Retest)

Directions: Match each idiom to its meaning.

_____ Max was walking on air after he won the contest.

_____ I thought that book title would ring a bell, but it doesn't.

_____ Stop beating around the bush and tell me what really happened.

_____ The parents tried to pull some strings to get their son on the team.

_____ Bill asked for a rain check to the movies because he was busy tonight.

_____ If you cut corners on your project you won't learn as much.

A) to avoid saying something directly

B) to accept an offer to go somewhere at a later time

C) feeling especially happy or delighted

D) take shortcuts when working

E) to ask for favors to make something happen

F) something sounds familiar

Directions: Write the meanings for the following idioms.

The name of that restaurant is on the tip of my tongue.

I couldn't solve the problem, so I had to go back to square one.

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