

Homework

“Telling a funny story”

Exercise 1**A** Match the idioms with the meanings.

1. Can't be bothered	a) Feeling lazy
2. To be over the moon	b) Depressed
3. To be down in the dumps	c) Very happy
4. To feel like	d) In the mood

B Circle the correct answer

- Hey, what about doing the dishes?
- I'll do it later. _____.
A I don't feel like it now
B I'm over the moon
C I'm cheesed off
- I've failed my driving test for the second time. _____.
A I'm over the moon
B I'm really down in the dumps
C I don't feel like it now
- She's got a place at university. _____.
A She's over the moon about it
B She's really cheesed off about it
C She's really down in the dumps
- Someone stole his new phone. _____.
A He's over the moon about it
B He couldn't be bothered
C He's really cheesed off about it
- I should do the gardening today but _____.
A I'm over the moon
B I just couldn't be bothered
C I'm cheesed off
- She's had a lot of bad luck recently. That's why _____.

- A she's so down in the dumps
 B she couldn't be bothered
 C she's over the moon
7. - What would you like for dinner?
 - _____.
 A I just couldn't be bothered
 B I feel like chicken and rice
 C I'm cheesed off
8. Watch out for the boss today. _____.
 A It's not worth it
 B He couldn't be bothered
 C He's really cheesed off about something

Exercise 2

Complete the sentences with the idioms from the box.

<i>a lump in my throat</i>	<i>gets hot under the collar</i>	<i>spoke volumes</i>
<i>is licking her wounds</i>	<i>look on the bright side</i>	<i>written all over her face</i>
<i>struck a raw nerve</i>	<i>didn't turn a hair</i>	<i>pour her heart out</i>
		<i>tongue-tied</i>

- If anyone criticizes him, he immediately _____.
- Poor Jane _____ after being dropped from the team.
- The speech was so impressive that I had _____.
- The happy smile on her face when she opened the box _____ about the choice of gift.
- Her affection for her granddaughter was _____.
- He _____ when he mentioned divorce. They're separating.
- At the start of the presentation I was completely _____.
- When she needs to _____ to someone, she meets with her sister.
- When the police came to arrest him, he _____.
- You know nobody here. But _____ - you'll make a lot of new friends.

Links:

1. 7 Unit 7 A funny thing happened to me
<http://3cursa.wikispaces.com/7+Unit+7+A+funny+thing+happened+to+me>
2. Great Clean Jokes Funny Stories
<http://www.greatcleanjokes.com/jokes/other-joke-types/funny-stories/>
3. Jasper Carrott - Mother-in-law's driving
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E7YuAKWcAwY>
4. Eddie Izzard - American English V British English
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dz4Ps55Rx4Q>

**Answers:****Exercise 1****A**

1A 2C 3B 4D

B

1A 2B 3A 4C 5B 6A 7B 8C

Exercise 2

1. gets hot under the collar
2. is licking her wounds
3. a lump in my throat
4. spoke volumes
5. written all over her face
6. struck a raw nerve
7. tongue-tied
8. pour her heart out
9. didn't turn a hair
10. look on the bright side