

10 Idioms about Nature- EARTH DAY

1. **Down-to- Earth**: practical, reasonable and friendly.
2. **In deep water**: to be or get into serious trouble.
3. **A drop in the ocean**: a very small amount compared to the amount needed.
4. **The tip of the iceberg**: a small, noticeable part of a problem, the total size of which is really much greater.
5. **Can't see the wood for the tree**: to be unable to/ understand a situation clearly because you are too involved in it.
6. **To break the ice**: to make people who have not met before feel more relaxed with each other.
7. **Calm before the storm**: a quiet or peaceful period before a period during which there is great activity, argument, or difficulty
8. **Go with the flow**: to do what other people are doing or to agree with other people because it is the easiest thing to do.
9. **A breath of fresh air**: someone or something that is new and different and makes everything seem more exciting.
10. **There is no smoke without fire**: If unpleasant things are said about someone or something, there is probably a good reason for it.

ACTIVITY 1: Fill in the gaps with the most suitable idiom:

1. Jason is such a good host! He always finds ways to
among guests that meet for the first time.
2. Why do you always have to make such a fuss about everything? Try
..... for once!
3. Laure is like a! She always works hard and is
eager to participate compared to the rest of the class.
4. - Rumour has it that he's a heartbreaker.
- Well, I can't tell you for sure but usually there's
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5. Their fights are just the I think they'll be soon
filing for divorce.
6. It was bizarrely quiet in the room before the announcement of the final
election results. It was probably the
7. Magda is a..... woman. She hasn't been involved
with the glamour of show business.
8. The number of people sacked was onlycompared
to the necessary cutbacks that have to take place in all departments.
9. The more I discovered about the situation, the more I felt that I was
getting
10. He has lost his patience and cannot judge things objectively anymore! He
can't.....

ACTIVITY 1: ANSWER KEY

1. Jason is such a good host! He always finds ways to **break the ice** among guests that meet for the first time.
2. Why do you always have to make such a fuss about everything? Try **to go with the flow** for once!
3. Laure is like **a breath of fresh air!** She always works hard and is eager to participate compared to the rest of the class.
4. - Rumour has it that he's a heartbreaker.
-Well, I can't tell you for sure but usually there's **no smoke without fire.**
5. Their fights are just the **tip of the iceberg.** I think they'll be soon filing for divorce.
6. It was bizarrely quiet in the room before the announcement of the final election results. It was probably the **calm before the storm.**
7. Magda is a **down-to-earth** woman. She hasn't been involved with the glamour of show business.
8. The number of people sacked was only **a drop in the ocean** compared to the necessary cutbacks that have to take place in all departments.
9. The more I discovered about the situation, the more I felt that I was getting **into deep water.**
10. He has lost his patience and cannot judge things objectively anymore! He can't **see the wood for the tree.**

ACTIVITY 2:

Are there any similar or even the same idioms in your mother tongue?