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wad

shoot your wad ١. تنفق كل ما عندك
e.g. He's going to shoot his wad on his night out. Whatever it costs for a good time.

٢. تقول كل ما عندك عن موضوع معين
e.g. Our opponents shot their wad at the meeting and left everyone in no doubt that they would oppose our plans.

٣. (تعبير محظور) الغنى الذى يقذف به الرجل
e.g. He shot his wad as soon as she took her blouse off.

wagon

be on the wagon

انقطع عن شرب الكحوليات لفترة
e.g. He'd been an alcoholic once, but when I met him he'd been on the wagon for about five years.

go on the wagon

e.g. The doctor ordered her to go on the wagon, and she hasn't touched a drop since.

fall off the wagon

يعود ثانية إلى شرب الخمر
e.g. Six months later he fell off the wagon in spectacular fashion with a three-day drinking spree.

hitch your wagon to sb/sth

تتعلق بشخص أو
hitch your wagon to a star شىء ناجح لتصل إلى ما تريد - تتعلق بأهداف سامية
e.g. He wisely decided to hitch his wagon to the environmentalist movement, which was then gaining support throughout the country.

waifs

waifs and strays

المشردين، الأشخاص أو الحيوانات دون مأوى

e.g. Emma was always bringing home waifs and strays and giving them a bed for the night.

waiting

be waiting in the wings

البديل، من ينتظر أن يُستدعى ليحل محل شخص آخر
e.g. The rumour is that Green will be sacked and Brinkworth is waiting in the wings to take over as manager.

play a/the waiting game

يؤخر تصرفاته حتى يرى ما سيقوم به الآخرون أو حتى يتضح الموقف
e.g. Those investors who are willing to play the waiting game may find it to their advantage.

wake-up

a wake-up call

إنذار بضرورة العمل لحل مشكلة عاجلة أو خطيرة
e.g. The 1971 earthquake was a wake-up call to strengthen the city's bridges.

walk

a walk of life

مهنة الإنسان في الحياة أو
مركزه الاجتماعى - من كل الطبقات أو المهن
e.g. There were people at the meeting from almost every walk of life.

walking

give sb their walking papers

يطرد شخصاً من العمل
e.g. The manager gave his old secretary her walking papers and hired his daughter to do the job.

get your walking papers

e.g. Since they got their walking papers from the chemical company none of them has been able to find another job.

wall

be off the wall

يكون مختلفاً عن غيره من الأشخاص أو الأشياء

e.g. Even at school he was considered off the wall by most of the students.

off-the-wall على غير العادة

e.g. She's got a really off-the-wall sense of humour.

drive sb up the wall

تسبب لشخص الغضب أو الملل

e.g. I was being driven up the wall by their silly chatter.

e.g. Working in a factory would have driven me up the wall.

go to the wall (مشروع) يفشل

e.g. After nine months of massive losses the company finally went to the wall.

hit a/the brick wall

كمن ينطح صخرة، يحاول المستحيل، يصل إلى الحد الذي لا يستطيع فيه التقدم

e.g. We've just about hit the wall in terms of what we can do to balance the budget.

nail sb to the wall

تعاقب أو تضايق أو تؤذي شخصاً بقسوة لغضبك منه

e.g. I didn't care about why they did it, I just wanted to nail the guys that robbed me to the wall.

the writing is on the wall

the handwriting is on the wall

(شخص أو منظمة) من الواضح تعرضهم للفشل أو التوقف عن العمل

e.g. The team has lost its last six games and the writing is definitely on the wall for the manager.

read/see the writing on the wall

read/see the handwriting on the wall

يتضح لك أنك في موقف لا تحسد عليه ، وأنت معرض لفشل ذريع

e.g. They saw the writing on the wall and

started to behave better.

e.g. Those who failed to read the writing on the wall lost a lot of money.

walls

walls have ears احذر في الكلام فهناك من ينتصت عليك، الحيلة لها ودان (ع م)

e.g. Why don't we go and talk about this somewhere quieter? Walls have ears, you know.

wall-to-wall من البداية للنهاية بشكل مستمر

wall-to-wall

e.g. independent channels are promising wall-to-wall coverage of the Olympics.

wandering

wandering hands

رجل (عادة) يحب أن يلامس يديه أشخاصاً آخرين ليحصل على لذة جنسية (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. Joe was notorious for having wandering hands and all the women tried to avoid going into his office.

want

for want of a better word

لقلة أو لنقص أو لانعدام كلمة أخرى ملائمة

e.g. They have problems, which for want of a better word, we call psychological.

How much do you want to bet?

هل تستطيع الرهان؟ هل أنت مستعد للرهان؟ كناية عن أنك لا تعتقد في صحة ما يقول.

Do you want a/to bet?

e.g. "I don't think she'd be stupid enough to lend him any money." "How much do you want to bet?"

war

a war of words

حرب الخطب والكلمات بين متنافسين

e.g. The war of words between the two rivals for the presidency continues to

dominate the bulletins.

warpath

be on the warpath

يبحث عن أشخاص ليصب غضبه عليهم (فكاهي)

e.g. Look out, the boss is on the warpath again.

wars

have been in the wars (طفل) قد جرح أو

أصابه أذى، وكأنه كان في معركة (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. You poor little boy, you have been in the wars.

warts

warts and all

تفضح عيوب شخص، يصور شخصاً دون إخفاء عيوبه

e.g. He tried to portray the president as he was warts and all.

warts-and-all

e.g. The book is a warts-and-all portrait of the socialist movement.

wash

come out in the wash

كله حيطلع في الغسيل (ع.م)، سوف يظهر الحق

e.g. They don't want the police to investigate, but they're afraid of what might come out in the wash.

it'll all come out in the wash

سوف تنتهي الأمور على خير

e.g. It was the wrong thing to say, but don't get too upset, I'm sure it'll all come out in the wash eventually.

will nor wash لا يثبت أو لا يصمد

(للمنطق) - لن يتقبل الناس (الموضوع)

e.g. That story about missing the last bus won't wash with me, young lady!

waste

be a waste of space (عن شخص) تعتقد أنه

لا لزوم له أي لا ينفع، كماله عدد (ع.م)

e.g. Her husband's a complete waste of space.

watched

A watched pot never boils ما أصعب

الانتظار - اترك الأشياء دون انتظار

e.g. There's no point sitting by the phone waiting for it to ring. A watched pot never boils.

watching

be like watching grass grow شيء مُمل

e.g. To watch somebody fly-fishing is like watching grass grow.

be like watching paint dry

be as interesting as watching paint dry

شيء ممل للغاية (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. To me watching golf on television is about as interesting as watching paint dry.

water

be (like) water off a duck's back

شيء لا قيمة له ولا تأثير

e.g. He's always being told he's lazy and incompetent, but it's just water off a duck's back to him.

be water under the bridge

be water over the dam

موقف سيء انتهى منذ مدة طويلة ولا أثر له في النفوس

e.g. We certainly had our disagreements in the past, but that's all water under the bridge now.

blow sth/sb out of the water

يبدد أو يهزم شيئاً أو شخصاً نهائياً

e.g. They came to court with fresh evidence that would, they said, blow the prosecution's case completely out of the water.

not hold water

لا يستقيم منطقياً، لا يثبت للاختبار

e.g. Most of the arguments put forward by our opponents simply do not hold water.

opposite العكس

e.g. If his theory holds water, it could be a break through in cancer research.

test the water/waters

تجس النبض ، تحاول معرفة رأى الجماهير مسبقاً

e.g. Perhaps you should go to a couple of meetings to test the waters before you decide whether to join the club.

tread water فى حالة انتظار

e.g. I'm just treading water until I get an opportunity to try for a job with more responsibility.

waterfront

cover the waterfront

تغطى الموضوع كله بكل نقاطه

e.g. It was a mistake to try and cover the waterfront in her talk. One or two points would have been enough.

e.g. It's obvious one salesman can't cover the waterfront, we'll need a whole team for this area.

waterloo

meet your waterloo

يُهزم هزيمة نكراء بمن أقوى منه

e.g. She finally met her waterloo when she tried to take on the club champion.

waters

muddy the waters

تجعل الموقف أكثر سوءاً أو تعقيداً

e.g. The statistics you quoted didn't prove anything, they simply muddied the waters.

waterworks

turn on the waterworks

تبكى لتحصل على ما تريد (تعبير فكاهى)

e.g. He always turns the waterworks if he doesn't get exactly what he wants.

wave

catch the wave ينضم إلى موجة شائعة
بغرض الكسب ، يواكب الموضة

e.g. Older Spanish restaurants are expanding to try to catch the tapas wave.

ride (on) a/the wave يركب الموجة، يشارك
فى الآراء والأنشطة الرائجة والسائدة

e.g. She came to power riding on a wave of personal popularity.

wavelength

be on the same wavelength

شخصان على نفس الموجة أى متفاهمان

e.g. To my surprise, I found that we were absolutely on the same wavelength about most of the important issues.

waves

make waves

يعكر الصفو، يخلق المتاعب، يسبب هزة

e.g. Some workers felt it was not the time to make waves by organizing a union.

wax يكبر ويصغر باستمرار (يكون) فى مد
وجزر أو فى ازدياد وتقصان

e.g. Their influence waxes and wanes depending on which party is in power .

way

all the way

على طول الخط، تتفق أو تختلف بأقصى ما يمكن

e.g. If you want to complain to the boss, I'll support you all the way.

along the way فى خلال المدة

e.g. I've been in this job for thirty years and I've picked up a good deal of expertise along the way.

(in) any way, shape or form بأية طريقة

e.g. I've never been involved in any way, shape, or form with criminal activities.

be out of sb's way يبعد عن طريق شخص
ما ، خارج نطاق طريق شخص ما

e.g. Are you sure you don't mind taking me home Ted? It's a bit out of your way.

be out of the way (مكان) خارج نطاق
المدن أو القرى، بعيد عن العمار (ع)

e.g. It's a lovely village but it's a little out of the way.

out-of-the-way

e.g. We hired a car and spent a few days visiting some out-of-the-way places.

claw your way back from sth

بعد موقف صعب تسترد مكانك السابق بجهد كبير

e.g. They clawed their way back from almost certain defeat to win by a single point.

couldn't (act/argue/fight) your way out of a paper bag

يتصرف بغباء ويضعف (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. It's no good asking Jim to protect you. He couldn't fight his way out of a paper bag.

go all the way تكمل ما بدأت عمله

e.g. I wouldn't go all the way with a boy if I didn't love him. ١. في حالة العملية الجنسية
٢. في حالة القيام بعمل ما (تكملة)

e.g. We finally decided to go all the way and redecorate the entire house.

٣. في حالة المنافسات الرياضية (يتنصر في كل المباريات)

e.g. Do you think she can go all the way at Wimbledon this year?

go out of your way to do sth

تقوم بكل ما وسعك لتسعد أشخاصاً

e.g. They really went out of their way to make us feel welcome.

not know which way to turn تشعر بالحيرة
فلا تعرف إلى من تلجأ ولا ما يجب عمله

e.g. I had no home, no money, and I didn't

know which way to turn.

open the way for/to sth يفتح المجال لـ

e.g. Removing customs controls could open the way to an increase in drug smuggling.

pave the way for sth يمهد الطريق إلى

e.g. Scientists hope that data from this expedition will pave the way for a more detailed exploration of Mars.

pay your way تدفع ثمن كل شيء تستعمله

e.g. We've always paid our own way and never taken a penny from the state.

pay its ways (عن آلة) ما تكسبه من جراء استعمالها يفوق الثمن الذي دفعته فيها

e.g. Our new combine harvester should be paying its way by next year.

point the way يبين ما يمكن عمله في الوقت الحاضر أو المستقبل - يبين الطريق

e.g. Their recent work on developing an AIDS vaccine points the way forward.

see which way the cat jumps

البطء في اتخاذ القرار حتى تتضح الأمور

e.g. We'd better wait and see which way the cat jumps before we commit ourselves.

see your way (clear) to doing sth

تكون قادراً وموافقاً على عمل ما

e.g. Do you think you could see your way clear to lending me a bit more money?

smooth the way for sb./sth

يسهل لشخص الأمور ، يمهد الطريق

smooth sb's/sths way

e.g. Parents can do a lot to smooth the way for their children when they start school

that's the way the cookie crumbles

ما قدّر يكون

e.g. I can't believe they chose Sam for the job and not me. Ah well that's the way the cookie crumbles.

wing your/its way

يسافر أو يطير بسرعة ، يسافر على جناح السرعة

e.g. Within a few hours the package will be winging its way across the Atlantic.

way-out شيء مبتكر، جديد وغريب

e.g. He produced some really way-out designs for the opera house.

ways

ways and means

وسائل وطرق للحصول على شيء

e.g. Surely, there are ways and means of achieving our objectives which don't involve spending quite so much money.

change/mend your ways يغير من تصرفاته

e.g. If he wants to carry on living here, he's going to have to change his ways.

cut both/two ways سلاح ذو حدين

e.g. Censorship cuts both ways; it prevents people from being corrupted, but it often also prevents them from knowing what is really going on.

wayside

fall by the wayside

١. يفشل في تكملة عمل بدأه - يفقد الطريق

e.g. A lot of students fall by the wayside during their first year at university.

٢. شيء يتوقف الناس عن عمله أو استعماله

e.g. Many new drugs fall by the wayside in the laboratory.

weak

weak at the knees

يشعر بالضعف من جراء خوف أو انفعال

e.g. The very thought of jumping out of an aircraft with a parachute made him go weak at the knees.

a weak link (in the chain) أضعف نقطة في

نظام أو أضعف فرد في مجموعة قد يتسبب في فشلها

e.g. It's a strong team, though the goalkeeper may be a weak link because he's rather inexperienced.

have a weak spot for sb/sth

تشعر بالحب أو بعاطفة نحو شخص أو شيء

e.g. Sarah has a weak spot for basketball players.

wear

wear and tear الاستعمال والاستهلاك

e.g. She made everyone wear slippers inside the house to avoid wear and tear on the carpet.

wear the trousers

من يتحمل المسؤولية الكبرى في علاقة (أي الرجل في علاقة الزواج) (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. I don't think there's any doubt about who wears the trousers in their house.

weasel

weasel words كلمات تستعمل لتتهرب من الإجابة على أسئلة أو لخداع شخص

e.g. She was too experienced an interviewer to be taken in by the weasel words of crafty politicians.

weather

be/feel under the weather تكون مريضاً

e.g. I'm feeling a little under the weather.

I think I may have caught a cold.

keep a weather eye on sth/sb

يراقب شيئاً أو شخصاً تحسباً لقيام مشاكل

e.g. I'd like you to keep a weather eye on the situation and report any major developments to me at once.

wedding

your wedding tackle أعضاء الرجل الجنسية

e.g. He wears special padding to protect his wedding tackle.

wedge

drive a wedge between sb

تدق إسفين (ع.م) تنشر بذور العداء بين اثنين

e.g. This is a clear attempt to drive a wedge between the USA and its western allies.

weigh

weigh your words**weigh each word**

تفكر في الكلمة قبل التفوه بها ، تزن كلامك

e.g. Jake explained the reasons for his decision, weighing each word as he spoke.

weight

be a weight off our shoulders

تتخلص من حمل على عاتقك ، تتخفف من مسؤوليته

e.g. If you could take over the job of organizing the party, that would be a tremendous weight off my shoulders.

carry weight

يمثل قيمة لشخص ويتأثر به - شيء مهم

e.g. Her opinion carries a lot of weight with the boss.

pull your weight

تقوم بما يقوم به الآخرون من جهد

e.g. The rest of the team complained that Sarah wasn't pulling her weight.

throw your weight around

تتصرف بفرور وكأنك خير من بقية الناس

e.g. He tries to impress the rest of us by throwing his weight around at committee meetings.

throw your weight behind sth/sb

يؤيد بقوة وبكل ثقة

e.g. If we could persuade the chairman to throw his weight behind the plan, it would have a much better chance of success.

welcome

outstay/overstay your welcome لا تبقى في

مكان لمدة أطول مما ينبغي، لا تتعد مدة الضيافة

e.g. One more cup of tea and then we'll go. We don't want to outstay our welcome.

well

well and truly

نهائياً

e.g. Many people remained in their hiding places until they were sure the war was well and truly over.

be well away

١. تندمج في موضوع (وخصوصاً كلامياً)

e.g. They started talking about football and were soon well away.

٢. في حالة سكر

e.g. Annie was dancing on top of the table, so she must have been well away.

٣. تنام

e.g. Her head started to nod and soon she was well away.

be well in

على علاقة طيبة بشخص أو بجماعة

e.g. There won't be any stopping him now. He's in well with the manager of his company.

be well up on sth

تكون على علم كامل

e.g. I'm not very well up on Ancient Greek history.

leave well alone**leave well enough alone**

تترك الأمور على ما هي عليه دون أي تغيير

e.g. So long as the machine still does what you want it to, my advice is to leave well alone.

well-heeled**well-heeled**

غني، تمتلك أموالاً

e.g. You need to be well-heeled to be able to afford to shop there.

well-hung**well-hung**

رجل يتمتع بعضو جنسي كبير (عامية) تعبير سوقى

e.g. A crowd of well-hung men paraded around in their underwear.

well-to-do

غنى

e.g. In Johannesburg's well-to-do suburbs, residents are hiring security guards to protect their homes.

west

go west

١. (لشخص) تغرب شمسه ،

يموت الشيء يعطب ، يندثر

e.g. He went west in a plane crash. My watch went west when I accidentally dropped it on a concrete floor.

wet

a wet blanket

شخص نكد أو ثقيل الظل ،

شخص محضره نكد ، يفسد أى متعة

e.g. I don't want to be a wet blanket, but you really must play your music more quietly or you'll disturb the people next door.

a wet dream

١. حلم (لرجل) يؤدي إلى الاستمناء

e.g. Most boys start getting wet dreams in their early teens.

٢. شيء سار ومثير

e.g. This new machine is a computer buff's wet dream.

be all wet

يكون خطأ سافراً

e.g. Most doctors agreed that the scientific evidence in the report was simply all wet.

be wet behind the ears

تعوزه الخبرة والمعرفة

e.g. He's fresh out of college, still wet behind the ears.

whack

out of whack

١. (جهاز) لا يعمل بكفاءة

e.g. You can use Carol's old bike. The gears are out of whack, but it still goes.

٢. مشوش وغير منظم

e.g. The state budget is way out of whack

and politicians are blaming an influx of immigrants.

whale

a whale of a (bill/difference/problem etc)

كمية كبيرة من

e.g. We ran up a whale of a bill in the restaurant .

a whale of a (job/party/story etc)

e.g. They've done a whale of a job renovating the building.

have a whale of a time

تستمتع بوقتك بشدة

e.g. Did Sam enjoy himself at the party?

He had a whale of a time.

what

(well) what do you know!

عبارة تدل على الدهشة من خبر تسمعه

e.g. And are you getting married? Well, what do you know.

and what have you

وما شابه ذلك

e.g. There were a couple of bags full of old records, magazines and what have you.

what's up?

ماذا يجري؟

e.g. What's up with Tom? He hasn't spoken all morning.

whatever

whatever turns you on

تعبير عن دهشتك لما

يحبه الآخرون من أمور غريبة (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. So you stuff animals in your spare time? Oh, well, whatever turns you on.

wheat

separate the wheat from the chaff

ينتقى الشمين من الغث

e.g. A preliminary look through the applications will help you to separate the wheat from the chaff.

wheel

be at/behind the wheel

في مركز القيادة ، ممسك بالدفة ، يدبر الأمور

e.g. I always feel perfectly safe when Richard's at the wheel.

get behind the wheel يقود سيارة

e.g. When Anna gets behind the wheel of a fast car, she's a danger to the public.

a fifth/third wheel يكون في مكان وهو غير مرغوب فيه أو زائد عن الحاجة

e.g. I don't have a role in the office any more. I feel like a fifth wheel.

reinvent the wheel تقوم بإنتاج منتج نظنه جديداً وهو في الحقيقة متوفر بالسوق

e.g. Why reinvent the wheel when there are drugs already in the market that are effective.

wheeling

wheeling and dealing كافة المعاملات المعقدة وغير القانونية في التجارة والسياسة

e.g. It's an article about all the wheeling and dealing that goes on in financial markets.

wheel; and deal يتعامل مع/ينشغل بأموره المعقدة في التجارة، يُداور ويتاور

e.g. He's the sort of guy that likes to drive fast cars and wheel and deal on the stock exchange.

a wheeler-dealer

e.g. He worked in the property business for a number of years, acquiring a reputation as a formidable wheeler-dealer.

wheels

the wheels are turning تسير الأمور

e.g. By the late 1940s the wheels were turning that would make a manned space flight possible by the end of the next decade.

oil the wheels يسهل الأمور

e.g. An aid programme was established to oil the wheels of economic reform in the

region.

set the wheels in motion

يجعل العجلة تدور، يسير الأمور، يبدأ سير العمل

e.g. A phone call to the right person should set the wheels in motion.

spin your wheels تضيع الوقت فيما لا يفيد

e.g. If we're just spinning our wheels, let us know and we'll quit.

when

as and when

if and when

تقوم بعمل الشيء وقت الحاجة إليه فقط

e.g. Let's not go to the supermarket this week. We can just pick up some food as and when we need it.

whip

crack the whip تستعمل نفوذك (بالعقاب والتهديد) لترغم شخصاً على بذل مجهود أكبر

e.g. We were already three months behind schedule so I thought it was time to crack the whip.

have /hold the whip hand

الشخص أو المجموعة التي تسيطر على الموقف

e.g. So long as we rely on them for money, they have the whip hand.

whipping

a whipping boy كبش الفداء ، الضحية

e.g. Television has been the favourite whipping boy of every social reformer in modern America.

whip-round

a whip-round نقود تجمعها مجموعة من الأشخاص لشراء هدية لشخص

e.g. We had a whip-round for Annie's leaving present.

whirlwind

reap the whirlwind

يواجه عاصفة من جراء فعل خاطئ في الماضي

e.g. Having fired some of his best reporters, he's now reaping the whirlwind with rapidly declining newspaper sales.

whisker بفارق بسيط جدا

e.g. He missed the goal by a whisker.

come within a whisker of sth/doing sth

قريباً جداً من

e.g. He came within a whisker of beating the world champion.

whistle

blow the whistle on sb/sth تبليغ المسئول

عن تصرف غير مقبول في الخفاء حتى يضع حداً له

e.g. The kids are encouraged to blow the whistle on any of their friends who are using drugs.

a whistle - blower

e.g. Every organization needs a whistle blower, someone who can stand up and say, 'Hey, you can't do that!'

He/She/They can whistle for it

لن يحصل شخص على ما يريد (تعبير قديم)

e.g. If they want money, they can whistle for it. They're not getting a penny out of me! wet your whistle (تعبير قديم)

تتناول شراً كحولياً

e.g. You must be thirsty after all that work. Would you care to wet your whistle?

whistle - stop

a whistle-stop tour زيارة قصيرة لأماكن عديدة

e.g. Coach loads of tourists come for whistle-stop tours of the main European cities.

whistling

be whistling Dixie

ينكلم ليشيع التفاؤل بين الناس

e.g. We're really making money these days and I'm not just whistling Dixie.

be whistling in the dark

يتفائل دون ما يدعو إلى التفاؤل

e.g. She seems pretty sure she'll win the title, but she may just be whistling in the dark.

white

white trash

أسلوب جارح يوصف به البيض غير المتعلمين

e.g. These are the poor white trash that the middle class don't want to know about.

a white elephant

نقمة في ثوب نعمة، شيء غال ضرره أكثر من نفعه

e.g. The town's new leisure centre, recently completed at a cost of ten million pounds, seems likely to prove a white elephant.

a white knight

شخص يُعطى شركة نقوداً حتى لا تُباع إلى شركة أخرى

e.g. Hope is fading that a white knight will appear to stop the takeover bid.

a white lie

كذبة بيضاء

e.g. I don't see the harm in telling the occasional white lie if it spares someone's feelings.

be as white as a sheet شاحب كالموت، باهت

e.g. She was trembling all over and as white as a sheet.

be as white as snow

ناصع البياض

e.g. His hair and beard were as white as snow.

white-bread

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مُمل ، يبعث الملل

e.g. It's a movie about middle America-white-bread characters living white-bread lives.

white-collar

white-collar

موظف بمكتب يقوم بعمل عقلي

وليس جسمانياً - مكتبي

e.g. The earnings of women in white-collar jobs are the second highest in Britain.

whiter

whiter than white

إنسان مشهود له بالأمانة وحسن الخلق

e.g. I never was convinced by the whiter than white image of her portrayed in the press.

whizz-kid

a whizz-kid شخص نابغ وناجح

e.g. They've taken on some financial whizz-kid who's going to sort all their problems out.

whole**the whole picture**

الصورة الكاملة، أهم الحقائق عن موضوع وأثرها عليه

e.g. You're just taking into account Melissa's views of the situation but of course that's not the whole picture.

go the whole hog

يسير إلى آخر المدى أو الشوط

e.g. It was going to cost so much to repair my computer, I thought I might as well go the whole hog and buy a new one.

make sth up out of whole cloth**invent sth out of whole cloth**

قصة ملفقة أو عُذر غير صادق

e.g. Yet the explanation was too strange for Joan to have made up out of whole cloth.

whoopie**make whoopie** (تعبير قديم)

١. يحتفل ويستمتع بطريقة مزعجة

e.g. It's hard working when everyone else is out there in the streets making whoopie.

٢. يمارس الجنس

e.g. They spent most of the week in the hotel room making whoopie.

whys**the whys and (the) wherefores**

أسباب شيء، الأسباب والعلل

e.g. I know very little about the whys and

the wherefores of the situation.

wick**get on sb's wick** تضايق شخصاً

e.g. She'd been asking me questions all day and it was starting to get on my wick.

wicked**have your wicked way with sb**

تمارس الجنس مع شخص (تعبير فكاھی)

e.g. He invited her to France for the weekend, thinking he would have his wicked way with her.

there's no peace/rest for the wicked!

تعبير يقصد به أنك لا بد أن تكمل العمل مهما كلفك الأمر - لا وقت للكسل (تعبير فكاھی)

e.g. I can't talk. I've got to finish this essay.

There's no rest for the wicked.

wide**a wide boy** رجل أو ولد يحصل على

المال الكثير بطرق غير شرعية

e.g. He's a bit of a wide boy. I wouldn't get involved in any of his schemes if I were you.

broke to the wide مفلس، على الحديدة (ع.م)

e.g. How do you expect me to lend you any money if I'm broke to the wide myself.

be wide of the mark

بعيد عن الهدف أو الصواب

e.g. Yesterday's weather forecast was rather wide of the mark.

e.g. Giggs had another chance early in the second half, but once again his shot was wide of the mark.

be wide open

مجال المكسب مفتوح لجميع المتسابقين

e.g. At this stage, with only four points separating the six top teams, the championship is still wide open.

blow sth wide open

١. تجعل من المستحيل تخمين من الفائز

e.g. She was the favourite to win, so her withdrawal has blown the election wide open.

٢. تتسبب في فشل شخص أو مشروع في تحقيق هدفه بإفشاء أسراره

e.g. He's threatening to blow the whole operation wide open if we don't give him a bigger share of the profits.

give sb/sth. a wide berth

يتجنب، يتحاشى، يتفادى، يبتعد عن

e.g. If she's in a bad mood I tend to give her a wide berth.

wild

wild horses

حتى لو انطبقت السماء على الأرض لن أفعل

e.g. Wild horses couldn't drag me to a party tonight.

a wild card

١. شيء أو شخص لا تعرف الكثير عنه ولن تستطيع

التكهن بتصرفاته في المستقبل أى مجهول

e.g. The real wild card is the undecided vote which accounts for 18 to 25 percent of the electorate. ٢. من يدخل مسابقة رياضية

بدون الاختبارات الاعتيادية

e.g. She was included in the European team as a wild card.

sow your wild oats

فترة في حياة (رجل) يقوم فيها بعلاقات عاطفية كثيرة

e.g. He'd spent his twenties sowing his wild oats but felt that it was time to settle down.

wilderness

in the wilderness

صرخة في وادي، سياسى فقد نفوذه وأصبح في الظل

e.g. He spent several years in the political wilderness after conservatives objected to his attempts to reform the police.

wildest

beyond your wildest dreams ولا في الخيال

e.g. Her books have brought her tithes beyond her wildest dreams.

not in my wildest dreams

ولا في الأحلام، حدث في حياتك لم تكن تتوقعه

e.g. Never in my wildest dreams did I think she'd actually carry out her threat.

wildfire

spread like wildfire

مثل (انتشار) النار في الهشيم

e.g. Once one child in the school has become infected, the disease spreads like wildfire.

wild goose

a wild goose chase

جرى وراء سراب بعيقة - بحث بدون طائل

e.g. After two hours spent wandering in the snow, I realized we were on a wild-goose chase.

will

where there's a will there's a way !

إذا صدقت العزيمة استحالت الهزيمة ، كناية عن قوة الإرادة

e.g. I don't quite know how I'm going to get to Istanbul with no money, but where there's a will there's a way.

willy-nilly

١. شئنا أم لم نشأ ، شئنا أم أبينا

e.g. Both countries are being drawn, willy-nilly into the conflict.

٢. دون ترتيب أو نظام

e.g. We threw our bags willy-nilly into the back of the truck.

win

you can't win'em all

you win some, you lose some

لن نكسب كل شيء في الحياة ، الحياة مكسب وخسارة

e.g. Obviously I would have liked first

prize but you win some, you lose some.

wind

be in the wind

يحتمل حدوثه ، فى الجو (يلوح) فى الأفق

e.g. From my conversations with Sarah I get the feeling that change is in the wind.

be spitting in/into the wind

be pissing in/into the wind

تضيق الوقت لتحقيق المستحيل (عامية سوقية)

e.g. Trying to get a pay increase here is like pissing in the wind.

break wind يخرج غازات من المقعدة بصوت عال

e.g. At a wedding that I attended last summer, one of the guests broke wind very loudly during the groom's speech.

get wind of sth

يَسْتَمُ الأخبار أو الأحداث (قبل وقوعها)

e.g. I don't want my boss to get wind of the fact that I'm leaving so I'm not telling many people.

get/put the wind up

تقلق شخصاً من موقف ، تخيف ، نزع ، ترعب

e.g. Say you'll take him to court if he doesn't pay up. That should put the wind up him.

run like the wind يسابق الريح فى الجرى

e.g. She's very slight in build and she can run like the wind.

sail close to the wind يحوم حول الحمى،

يوشك أن يقع فى المحذور (خلقياً أو قانونياً)

e.g. the magistrate warned the defendant that he was sailing close to the wind.

see which way the wind is blowing

اتجاه هبوب الريح، الاتجاه الذى تسير فيه الأحداث أو التطورات أو الأفكار أو ما يُحتمل أن يكون عليه الوضع

e.g. I think we ought to talk to other

members of staff and see which way the wind's blowing before we make any firm decisions.

take the wind out of sb's sails

تفتت همته ، تضعف شخصاً ، تشككه فى قراراته (يقول أو عمل شيء)

e.g. I was going to tell him the relationship was over when he greeted me with a big bunch of flowers and it rather took the wind out of my sails.

leave sb to twist in the wind

ترك شخصاً فى محنة (عادة سببها له شخص آخر)

e.g. The director resigned and left the rest of the department twisting in the wind; waiting to see if the project would continue.

windmills

tilt at windmills يقاتل أشباحاً ، يحارب طواحين الهواء (مثل دون كيشوت)

e.g. We're not tilting at windmills here. If we don't do something about these problems, our environment may be in serious danger.

window

go out (of) the window

صفة أو مبدأ أو فكرة تنتهى إلى الأبد

e.g. Then people start drinking and sense goes out of the window.

wine and dine

تستضيف شخصاً وتقدم له المأكول والمشرب

e.g. I'm an old fashioned girl at heart. I like to be wine and dined on the first few dates.

wining and dining استضافة

e.g. His job involves a lot of wining and dining of potential customers.

wing

wing it

يرتجل ، يتصرف فى موقف على غير استعداد

e.g. I hadn't had time to prepare the talk,

so I just had to wing it.

be on the wing يطير (تعبير أدبي)

e.g. Numerous orange-tip butterflies were on the wing in the warm sunshine.

on a wing and a prayer

ترجو من الله النجاح ولو أنك لم تكن مستعداً له

e.g. With scarcely any funding and a staff of six, they operate on a wing and a prayer.

take sb under your wing تشمل شخصاً

برعايتك، تضعه تحت جناحك أو في كنفك

e.g. One of the older children will usually take a new girl or boy under their wing for the first few weeks.

under the wing of sth

تحت سيطرة مؤسسة أو منظمة

e.g. The newspaper is once again in Scottish hands, under the wing of a newly created company, Caledonian Newspaper Publishing.

wings

clip sb's wings يقصص جناحي الطير،

يحد من سلطات أو مهام شخص ما

e.g. She never had kids. I guess she thought motherhood would clip her wings.

spread your wings يستخدم طاقاته الخاصة

باستقلال (دون الاعتماد على الغير) يعتمد على نفسه

e.g. The kids had all grown up and left home, and I thought it was time to spread my wings and live a little.

try our wings تختبر قدرتك

e.g. She's just qualified and is looking for a chance to try her wings as a design consultant.

wink

not sleep a wink

not get a wink of sleep

لم يغمض (لشخص عين)، لم ينام

e.g. I didn't get a wink of sleep on the plane.

tip sb the wink يخبر شخصاً بسر ينفعه

e.g. So if you hear of any jobs going in your department, just tip me the wink, would you?

winner

be onto a winner النجاح محتمل

(وخصوصاً إذا كنت تبيع شيئاً مرغوباً)

e.g. I think they're onto a winner with their latest product.

wire

down to the wire

إلى آخر الخط (منافسة تستمر إلى آخر دقيقة)

e.g. The democrats struggled down to the wire to choose their candidates.

under the wire

يقوم (شخص) بعمل شيء في آخر لحظة

e.g. They got in under the wire just before the entry requirements for the training program changed.

wisdom

the conventional/received wisdom

معلومات يعتقد الناس صحتها مع إنها قد تكون بعكس ذلك

e.g. The conventional wisdom is that marriage makes a relationship more secure, but as the divorce rates show, this is not necessarily true.

in his/her /their (infinite) wisdom

كما يروق لعقل (شخص) (تعبير فكاهي)

e.g. The council, in their wisdom, decided to close the library and now the building stands empty.

wise

a wise guy

شخص يحاول دائماً أن يبدو

أكثر ذكاءً ممن حوله بطريقة تضايقهم

e.g. Okay, wise guy, if you're so damn

smart, you can tell everyone how it is done.
He's just some wise-ass who thinks he
knows all the answers.

wiser

be none the wiser

تظل غير متفهم للأمر حتى بعدما شُرح لك
e.g. Isabel must have explained the theory
three times to me but I'm afraid I'm still
none the wiser.

no one will be any the wiser لن ينتبه أحد
إلى الموضوع - لن يكتشف أحد الحقيقة

e.g. Take the label off the jar and say you
made it yourself. No one will be any the wiser.

wish

a wish list قائمة بالأشياء التي يتمناها شخص
e.g. Most families with kids have a larger
house on their wish list.

wishful thinking التمني، خداع النفس بالأمانى
e.g. Do you think you might be in line for
promotion, then? 'No, it's just wishful
thinking'.

witch-hunt

a witch-hunt تتبع والقبض على وعقاب
الأشخاص ذوي الأفكار الخطرة أو المؤذية
e.g. Senator Mc.Carthy led a witch-hunt
against suspected communists during the
1980's.

witching

the witching hour (عادة للضحك) منتصف الليل
e.g. Twelve o'clock at night. It's time I was
in bed. It's already past the witching hour.

with

with it يعرف الكثير عن ما في الحياة من مستجدات
e.g. Jenny's very with it. She'll know what
people are wearing this summer.

be with it يستطيع التفكير والفهم بسرعة
e.g. I had rather a late night so I'm not

very with it this morning, I'm afraid .

wits

be at your wits' end

تتضايق لأنك طرقت كل السبل لحل مشكلة ولم توفيق
e.g. I've tried everything I can think of to
make her eat and she flatly refuses. I'm
really at my wits' end.

frighten/scare sb out of their wits

تُرعب، تخيف

e.g. Don't shout like that. You scared me
out of my wits!

gather your wits

تتمالك نفسك وتهدأ حتى تستطيع التفكير
e.g. Sitting down in one of the chairs I
attempted to gather my wits and decide
what I should do.

have/keep your wits about you

تكون على استعداد للتفكير بسرعة في موقف طارئ
e.g. Cycling is potentially very dangerous
in London. You really need to keep your
wits about you.

live by/on your wits

تعتمد على ذكائك في كسب العيش
e.g. A lot of these kids are thrown out
onto the streets and they have to live by
their wits.

pit your wits against sb/sth

تتنافس ضد شخص أو شيء مستعملاً ذكاءك
e.g. That's the pleasure of fishing pitting
your wits against these clever little fish that
are trying desperately not to get caught.

wobbler

throw a wobbler/wobbly كناية عن الغضب
e.g. She saw Peter talking to an attractive
blonde and threw wobbly.

woe

woe betide sb الويل له ، لا يجلب على

نفسه (شخص) إلا الحسرة والأذى (للتفكه)

e.g. Woe betide anyone who plays Ann's tapes without her permission.

wolf

a wolf in sheep's clothing ذئب في ثياب

حمل، شخص يبدو صدوقاً ولكنه في الحقيقة شرير

e.g. My next boss, on the surface very warm and charming, proved to be something of a wolf in sheep's clothing.

a wolf whistle

صفير يطلقه الرجل أحياناً عندما يرى سيدة جميلة

e.g. She'll get a few wolf whistles if she walks through town in those shorts.

cry wolf يطلق نداءات لاستغايات كاذبة

e.g. She had repeatedly rung the police for trivial reasons and perhaps she had cried wolf too often.

keep the wolf from the door

تستطيع تغطية نفقاتك من ماكل ومعيشة

e.g. Forty percent of the country's population receive part-time wages that barely keep the wolf from the door.

wolves

throw sb to the wolves

leave sb to the wolves

تؤدي بشخص إلى التهلكة ولا تساعد

e.g. No one warned me what sort of people I would be dealing with. I felt I'd been thrown to the wolves.

wonder

a nine/one/seven-day wonder

شهرة عابرة، حدث هام عابر

e.g. His music was derided by an older generation convinced that he was a nine-day wonder.

wonders

work wonders يصنع المعجزات، يفعل الأعاجيب

e.g. Extra water in the diet is generally beneficial for the health and it works wonders for the skin.

wood

not be out of the wood/woods

لا يزال يعاني من المتاعب مع أن الموقف تحسن

e.g. Financially things are looking distinctly more hopeful, but we're not out of the woods yet.

touch wood

knock (on) wood

امسك الخشب! تعبير يُقصد به النجاة من الحسد

e.g. We haven't had any problems with the car so far, knock on wood.

wooden

the wooden spoon جائزة الفاشلين في سباق

e.g. For the second year running Ireland took the wooden spoon in the Rugby tournament.

Don't take any wooden nickels عبارة تودع

بها مسافر مغزاهم حافظ على نفسك، مع السلامة

e.g. Hey guys have a good trip and don't take any wooden nickels.

woodwork

come/crawl out of the woodwork يظهر

بعد اختفاء طويل، يظهر وكأنه يخرج من بين الشقوق

e.g. Racists and extreme nationalists are crawling out of the woodwork to protest at the sudden increase in the number of immigrants.

wool

pull the wool over sb's eyes

يضع الغشاوة على العيون، يخدع

e.g. Don't let insurance companies pull the wool over your eyes. Ask for a list of all the hidden charges.

word

word for word بالحرف الواحد، بالنص، حرفياً

e.g. The article was reprinted word for word in a different newspaper the next day.
sb's word is law

كلامه مُنزل ، كلمته كالقانون

e.g. There's no use questioning any of his rules. His word is law around here.
a word to the wise (is sufficient)

اللييب تكتيه الإشارة ، اللييب بالإشارة يفهم

e.g. A word to the wise. if you're going to drive, don't go on a Friday night until after the rush hour traffic.

not believe a word of it

لا تصدق كلمة مما يقال

e.g. Have you heard what they're saying about Andrew? I don't believe a word of it.
not breathe a word

لا يتفوه بكلمة أى يحفظ السر

e.g. Please tell me what happened. I promise I won't breathe a word.

by word of mouth تعرف معلومات سماعياً (أى ما يقوله الناس) ، شفوية

e.g. I think she heard about the job by word of mouth.

from the word go من أول الأمر

e.g. I knew from the word go that she was going to cause problems.

get a word in edgeways

get a word in edgewise يستطيع أن يتدخل

بكلمة أثناء كلام شخص آخر ، فرصة للمشاركة فى الحديث أو دخول على حديث أشخاص آخرين

e.g. Roz was talking so much that nobody else could get a word in edgeways.

have a word in sb's ear يقول لشخص كلاماً

على انفراد ، أو يسره إليه ، كلمة فى السر

e.g. The boss had a word in his ear after the last meeting and I don't think he'll be

raising the subject again.

have the final/last word

١. الكلمة الأخيرة، القول الفصل

e.g. Tim can't bear to lose an argument.
He always has to have the last word.

٢. يقوم بالقرار النهائي

e.g. Our head chef has the final word on what is served each week.

in a word باختصار، فى كلمة واحدة، بإيجاز

e.g. 'So, tell me, do you find him attractive?'
"In a word-no."

a man of his word

a woman of her word إنسان شريف إذا وعد
لم يخلف، عند وعده ، عند كلمته

e.g. Rae was a woman of her word. If she said she'd be here on Friday, she'd be here on Friday.

say the word مر ما تشاء (وعلى التنفيذ) مر تطلع

e.g. You only have to say the word and I'll come and help.

spread the word ينشر الأخبار

e.g. A meeting has been arranged for next Thursday, so if you see anyone, do spread the word.

take sb's word for it

يصدق كلام شخص أو يقبله على أنه كلام صادق

take sb at his word

e.g. If you say you've checked the money I'll take your word for it.

e.g. When he said he'd give me job, I took him at his word and turned up the next day at his office.

won't hear a word (said) against sb/sth

نصدق شخصاً - كلمته مضمونة

e.g. He's completely infatuated with the woman and won't hear a word said against her.

words

words fail me! تعوزني الكلمات، لا أعرف ماذا أقول (من الفرحة أو الحزن)

e.g. So what do you think about that purple outfit Olive's wearing? 'Words fail me'.

have to eat your words

تعترف بالخطأ وتسحب كلامك، تتراجع فيما قلت

e.g. She told me I'd never be able to give up smoking, but she had to eat her words

make sb eat their words

يتراجع، يسحب كلامه

e.g. She made him eat his words about women not having the physical strength to become boxers.

have words يشتبك في مشادة أو تشاجر بالكلام

e.g. There were several penalties and the referee had words with one of the players after the match.

in so many words

بكل صراحة أو وضوح، دون لبس أو إبهام

e.g. He told me, in so many words, to mind my own business.

in words of one syllable

بكلمات سهلة وبسيطة يفهما بسطاء الإدراك

e.g. I was trying to explain to him again, in words of one syllable, why safety regulations must be obeyed at all times.

(you) mark my words

صدق كلامي (فهو صحيح) (تعبير قديم)

e.g. That girl's going to cause trouble, you mark my words.

not mince (your) words

دون نفاق أو مواربة أو مراوغة

e.g. The report does not mince words about the incompetence of some government officials.

put words in/into sb's mouth

يتقول على (شخص) أو ينسب إليه ما لم يقصده بكلامه

e.g. I certainly don't think you should resign, stop putting words in my mouth.

take the words out of sb's mouth

يقول كلاماً كان على طرف لسان شخص آخر، عمرك أطول من عمري (ع)

e.g. I was just going to mention that, but you took the words right out of my mouth.

work

work your arse/backside off

تجهد نفسك في العمل

e.g. My father worked his backside off to pay for our education.

work like a dog/Trojan

تبذل جهداً كبيراً في العمل

e.g. He worked like a dog all day to finish the wallpapering.

all work and no play (makes Jack a dull boy) العمل المستمر يصيب المرء بالملل

e.g. You need to get out more in the evenings. You know what they say about all work and no play.

donkey work

عمل شاق وممل ومرهق

e.g. Why do I have to do all the donkey work while you get to do the interesting stuff?

have your work cut out (for you)

عمل شاق فُرض عليك - عمل مفصل لك

e.g. We're training a completely new team, so we've got our work cut out for us.

works

the (whole) works

المهام المترتبة على موقف - كل الاستعدادات

e.g. The bridegroom was wearing a morning suit, top hat, gloves-the works

gum up the works تعطل آلة عن العمل

e.g. In bad weather, twice as many people use their cars on the road, which really gums up the works.

put/throw a spanner in the works

put throw a (monkey) wrench in the works

تتسبب بعمل ما في فشل خطة أو مشروع

e.g. We were hoping to get the project started in June but the funding was withdrawn so that rather threw a spanner in the works

shoot the works

تبذل المال أو الجهد للقيام بعمل

e.g. They shot the works on their daughter's wedding.

world

a world of difference ١. فرق شاسع بين شيئين

e.g. There's a world of difference between seeing a film on video and seeing it in the cinema.

٢. شيء يدفع إلى الأحسن

e.g. A little sympathy makes a world of difference to someone who is badly treated.

(all) the world and his wife

الناس كافة، كل من يستحق الذكر

e.g. It's a huge outdoor concert. I imagine the world and his wife will be there.

the world is your oyster الدنيا تحت

قدميك، عندك القدرة والحرية لتفعل ما تشاء

e.g. You're young and healthy and you've got no commitments, so the world is your oyster.

be in another world

أنت في عالم آخر، مشغول الفكر فلا ترى ما حولك

e.g. In a world of your own.

e.g. She just sat and stared out of the window most of the time. She seemed to be in another world.

be out of this world

كأنه من عالم آخر (من حسنه)

e.g. Their chocolate cake is just out of this world.

come/go down in the world ينحدر عن

مكانته، يصبه الفقر، ينزل عن طبقته الاجتماعية

move down in the world

e.g. They used to live in a big house with lots of servants but they've come down in the world since then.

opposite come/go up in the world

يرتقى إلى الطبقة الاجتماعية الأعلى

e.g. Peter and Ann have gone up in the world they only ever travel first class these days.

do sb the world of good

يقدم لشخص أجل الخدمات، يجعله أسعد مما هو

e.g. We had a week away in the sun, and it's done us both the world of good.

have the cares/weight of the world on your shoulders

تبدو حزينا وكأنك مثقل بكل هموم الدنيا

e.g. I've never seen such a change in anyone. He looks as if he's got the cares of the world on his shoulders.

have the world at your feet

الدنيا تحت قدميك (كناية عن أنك ناجح ومحظوظ)

e.g. Only six months after her debut, this young star of the Royal Ballet already has the world at her feet.

a man/woman of the world

شخص محنك واسع التجربة في الحياة

e.g. You're a man of the world Roger, I'd appreciate your advice on a rather delicate matter.

set the world on fire ينجح نجاحا لافتا

للأنظار، يصبح أشهر من نار على علم (ع. م.)

e.g. His invention set the world on fire.

think the world of sb

للتعبير عن الإعزاز .. يرى شخصاً أعظم من في الدنيا

e.g. He's an excellent doctor. His patients all think the world of him.

what's the world coming to ?

ماذا جرى في الدنيا ؟ ، الدنيا لم تعد آمنة كما كانت

e.g. What's the world coming to when you can't leave your house for five minutes without someone trying to break in and rob you?

your whole world came crashing down around you كل شيء ينهار حولك ، قلبت لك الأيام ظهر المعجن ، تغير الحال من الحلو إلى المر

e.g. Suddenly they weren't popular anymore , nobody wanted to buy their records, and their whole world came crashing down around them.

worlds

worlds apart يكون على طرفي نقيض ، يختلف كلياً ، اختلاف السماء والأرض أو الشرق والغرب ، أو الليل عن النهار

e.g. You can't compare a cheap stereo with a top of the range model - they're worlds apart.

the best of both worlds

تجنى محاسن شيين مختلفين في نفس الوقت

e.g. She works in the city and lives in the country, so she gets the best of both worlds.

opposite the worst of both worlds العكس

e.g. Farmers have the worst of both worlds: low prices for their products, and no guarantee they'll be able to sell them.

worm

the worm has turned ، إن للصبر حدوداً ،

شخص كان يبدو ضعيفاً ثم يستأسد فجأة

e.g. Yesterday, she just came in and told

him to stop bossing her around. the worm has turned.!

a worm's eye view رأى قائم على معرفة جزء من شيء وخاصة أسوأ الأجزاء أو أقلها أهمية

e.g. Set in the Paris underworld, the novel provides us with a worm's eye view of society. **worried**

be worried sick

يكاد يقتله الهم، ضجر جداً ، قران (ع)

e.g. Why didn't you call me when you knew you were going to be late? I was worried sick about you.

wear

be the worse for wear ١. يبلى بالاستعمال

e.g. This sofa is rather the worse for wear, but it will have to do until we can afford a new one.

٢. شخص متعب ويشعر بالمرض

e.g. I drank far too much and woke up the next morning feeling rather the worse for wear.

I/you wouldn't wish sth on my/your worst enemy

لن تتمنى هذا الشيء المنكر حتى لأعدى أعدائك
e.g. The effects of this disease are horrible. You wouldn't wish them on your worst enemy.

if the worst comes to the worst

if worst comes to worst في أسوأ الظروف

e.g. If the worst comes to the worst, we'll have to give them our bed and sleep on the floor.

worth

be worth your while يستحق ما يبذل فيه

(من وقت وجهد) ، من الأفضل لك

e.g. It's worth your while taking out travel insurance if you are going abroad.

make sth worth your while (لشخص) تؤكد أنه سيستفيد إذا قام لك بعمل (عادة غير قانوني)

e.g. If you can get us his personal files, we'll make it worth your while.

be worth its/your weight in gold

شيء قيم ونافع، يستاهل وزنه ذهباً .

e.g. Really good experienced singers are worth their weight in gold to the choir.

wounds

lick your wounds يلعق جراحه

e.g. After retiring to lick its wounds, the party is regaining its confidence

wraps

take the wraps off th

يكشف عن شيء كان في طي السر أو الكتمان

e.g. They have yet to take the wraps off the design for the new opera house.

under wraps في طي السر أو الكتمان

e.g. The financial details of the case have been kept firmly under wraps.

wringer

put sb through the wringer

تعصر شخصاً عصراً ، تجعله يمر بتجربة قاسية

e.g. They really put me through the wringer in my interview.

go through the wringer

e.g. I went through the wringer to get my first film part.

writ

writ large أقوى وأحسن وأوضح كما

لو كان مكتوباً بحروف كبيرة

e.g. Hollywood is American society writ large.

be writ large مفهوم وواضح

e.g. Anger was writ large in his face.

written

be written all over sb's face

مكتوب وواضح على وجه (شخص) ، معبر

e.g. Any fool could see you weren't happy. It was written all over your face.

it's written in the stars إنه القدر

e.g. It was written in the stars that we should meet and fall in love.

wrong

back the wrong horse تراهن على الحصان الخاسر، تدعم شخصاً أو شيئاً يخفق في النهاية

e.g. It was only after we'd invested all the money that we discovered we'd been backing the wrong horse.

be in the wrong تقوم بخطأ تلام عليه

e.g. I fully accept that I was in the wrong and I think I ought to apologize.

be on the wrong end of sth

يعاني من خطأ ارتكبه

e.g. Companies that violate this law can find themselves on the wrong end of big law suits.

be on the wrong track تقوم بعمل شيء

بطريقة تؤدي إلى الفشل ، لست على طريق الصواب

e.g. I think the government's on the wrong track with this latest policy.

don't get me wrong

لا تسيء فهم كلامي ، لا أقصد الإساءة بكلامي

e.g. Don't get me wrong, I like Carol, I just think she has some irritating habits.

fall into the wrong hands

شيء يقع في أيدي عدو

e.g. If this sort of information fell into the wrong hands, we could be in serious trouble.

get (hold of) the wrong end of the stick

لا يفهم الموقف على ما هو عليه، يسي فهمه

e.g. Her friend saw us arrive at the party together and got hold of the wrong end of the stick.

get on the wrong side of the law

يقع تحت طائلة القانون لارتكابه عمل غير قانوني

find yourself on the wrong side of the law

e.g. From last Monday, owners of fighting dogs who fail to control them in public could find themselves on the wrong side of the law.

go down the wrong way

شيء يدخل من مدخل أو بوابة غلط

e.g. I'm all right, it's just a piece of chicken that went down the wrong way.

rub sb up the wrong way

تضايق شخصا دون أن تدري أو تقصد

rub sb the wrong way

e.g. It's not her fault-she just rubs me up the wrong way.

take sth the wrong way

يسئ فهم تصرف أو كلام شخص آخر

e.g. If ever I make a suggestion, she always takes it the wrong way and we end up arguing.