

# Idioms for Friends and Family

## What Are Idioms?

Idioms are special phrases that mean something different from what the individual words say. Today we will learn idioms about **friends and family**.

## Idioms About Losing Contact

### Losing Touch

When Harper regrets losing touch with her old school friends, it means she is sad about \_\_\_\_\_ in contact with them anymore.

**Losing touch** = no longer being in contact with someone

### Keeping in Touch

The opposite is **keeping in touch**, which means to \_\_\_\_\_ to be in contact with someone. The example shows people who have kept in touch for \_\_\_\_ years since college.

## Idioms About Special Friendships

### Soulmate

Claire found a soulmate in Dan because they both love \_\_\_\_\_. A **soulmate** is the perfect person to be a friend or partner.

### Mutual Friend

Marie and Pierre met through Isaac, who was their \_\_\_\_\_ friend. A **mutual friend** is a shared friend of two people.

## Idioms About Getting Along

### Get On Like a House on Fire

Raymond and Tara get on like a house on fire because they're always \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. This idiom means to get along extremely well and have a very good relationship.

### Hit It Off

When the teacher's wife and he hit it off immediately at a concert, it means they became \_\_\_\_\_ very quickly.

## Idioms About Friendships Changing

### Drifted Apart

Nia and the teacher have \_\_\_\_\_ since she left choir and started boxing. This means they slowly became less friendly or close to each other.

### Struck Up a Friendship

The teacher struck up a friendship with Pete in \_\_\_\_\_ class. This means he became friends with Pete.

## Idioms About Problem Relationships

### Fair Weather Friend

Donna was a fair weather friend because she wouldn't help when the teacher's house \_\_\_\_\_. A **fair weather friend** is someone who deserts you when you have difficulties.

### Got Off on the Wrong Foot

The teacher got off on the wrong foot on a date because he was an \_\_\_\_\_ late and forgot the person's \_\_\_\_\_. This means they started their relationship badly.

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## Answer Key

### Section Headers and Answers:

#### Losing Touch:

- no longer being

#### Keeping in Touch:

- continue

- 25

#### Soulmate:

- reading

**Mutual Friend:**

- mutual

**Get On Like a House on Fire:**

- talking, laughing

**Hit It Off:**

- friends

**Drifted Apart:**

- drifted apart

**Struck Up a Friendship:**

- cooking

**Fair Weather Friend:**

- flooded

**Got Off on the Wrong Foot:**

- hour, name