

Puns with Idioms

Write the literal and figurative meanings of the highlighted idioms that double as puns.

Example: While the mangrove rivulus has no problem surviving on land, it will feel **like a fish out of water**.

Literal meaning: **It will feel like a fish would feel when it's out of water.**

Figurative meaning: **It will feel uncomfortable.**

1) Joe couldn't focus on hitting the ball. Then **it struck** him.

Literal meaning: _____

Figurative meaning: _____

2) The staff at ABC Projects celebrated by **raising the roof**.

Literal meaning: _____

Figurative meaning: _____

3) The drums produced great jazz rhythm. They were **hard to beat**.

Literal meaning: _____

Figurative meaning: _____

4) This calculator is very good. We can always **count on it**.

Literal meaning: _____

Figurative meaning: _____

5) Alex didn't want to grow a beard at first, but now it has **grown on him**.

Literal meaning: _____

Figurative meaning: _____