

## 《16条与食物有关的习语》

### 1.Egghead

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a very studious person, intellectually gifted in the field of academics, a very intelligent person

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I think Jane will do well in her finals. She has always been a kind of egghead from elementary school all the way through college.

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### 2.Big cheese

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an important and influential person

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Do you know Peter? He's a big cheese at the company, he may help you to get a good job there.

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### 3.Couch potato

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a very lazy person who watches too much TV

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My uncle is a couch potato, you never see him without the remote control in his hand.

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### 4.Tough cookie

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a very determined person, a person who is difficult to deal with

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There is a tough cookie on the phone, he insists to talk to the manager, shall I put him through?

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5.Top banana

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leader, boss, the chief person in a group, the head of a project

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I don't know when we'll finish, ask Jack, he's the top banana here.

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6.Bad apple

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troublemaker, criminal

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He's a real bad apple. If I were you, I wouldn't let my daughter go out with him.

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7.Sour grapes

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pretending to dislike something that you can't have

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The losers say they don't mind that they couldn't win the cup, but I'm sure this is only sour grapes.

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8.Lemon law

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an American law that protects those who buy defective cars or other consumer goods

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Unfortunately, his new car had an engine defect, but he received a complete refund in accordance with the lemon law.

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9.A bun in the oven

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This expression is used when somebody is pregnant.

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I have a bun the oven, the baby is due in 7 months.

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10.Bring home the bacon

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This idiom describes a person who earns a living or provides financial support to the home.

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You need to find a good job and bring home the bacon.

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11.Cheesy

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Describes something that is tacky, silly, inauthentic or cheap.

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That cliché was so cheesy and expected.

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12.Full of beans

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This describes somebody that is excited about something or very energetic and lively.

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The kids were full of beans after the birthday party.

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13.A Piece of cake

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This describes something that is really easy to do or takes very little effort.

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The exam was a piece of cake. I knew all the answers, I was finished within half an hour.

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14.Spill the beans

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This idiom is used when somebody tells a secret that they shouldn't have.

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Spill the beans, how did you know the answer to the mathematics question?

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15.Take with a pinch of salt

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This idiom is used when somebody is skeptical about something or someone.

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The statistics in the report need to be interpreted with a pinch of salt as they don't include all the factors.

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16.Butter up

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This idiom is used when somebody flatters somebody else, usually because they want something from them.

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The employer buttered up to the manager as he wanted to be promoted to the new position in work.

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