

# Everyday Idioms ®

Lesson 15 of 20 : Jon Forgets Anniversary



Answer and discuss these questions in pairs or as a class.

- 1. What are some important dates to remember?
- 2. How do you remember important dates?
- 3. Have you ever forgotten a special date?
- 4. Has someone ever forgotten a special day for you?



5. What do you think should happen to someone who forgets a special day?

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Match these idioms to their correct definitions.

1.	to read one's mind	 a.	being able to remember a lot
2.	Oh my God!	 b.	an easy solution that will not last
3.	What can "sorry" do?	 C.	Oh no! (an expression used to show surprise)
4.	a memory like an elephant	 d.	to do something so the person will forgive you
5.	to sweep things under the carpet	 e.	to be an important part of someone's life
6.	a quick fix	 f.	a remark used when an apology is not enough
7.	to make it up to someone	 g.	to agree to an idea
8.	off the hook	 h.	to have an idea
9.	to have in mind	 . i.	forgiven
10.	to have a deal	 j.	to try to forget or ignore bad things
11.	to mean the world to someone	k.	to know what someone is thinking





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#### DIALOGUE BUILDING

The dialogue below is not in the right order. Your teacher will provide you with **cut-up dialogue strips**. Work alone or with a partner to put the dialogue in the right order.



 Amy:	Don't you know?
 Jon:	Why are you so upset, Amy?
 Amy:	Where we had our first date?
 Amy:	It was our one-year anniversary yesterday!
 Jon:	I don't know. Let's start with dinner at Roberto's?
 Jon:	Well, I can't read your mind.
 Amy:	Like what?
 Jon:	Oh my God! I completely forgot. I'm so sorry, Amy.
 Jon:	You mean the world to me, Amy. I'll plan another night out. A really special night.
 Jon:	I know it's a quick fix. I'll do more to make it up to you.
 Amy:	What can "sorry" do?
 Amy:	Okay. You have a deal. But you're not off the hook yet!
 Jon:	I don't have a memory like an elephant.
 Jon:	I know. I feel awful. Let's go out tonight instead.
 Amy:	I just can't believe you forgot.
 Amy:	Well, what do you have in mind?
 Amy:	You can't just sweep things under the carpet.
 Jon:	Yes. It was a special night.





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#### FILL IN THE BLANKS

Fill in the blanks with the correct idioms from page 1.

1.	If someone	does not	accept y	our apolog	y, they wil	ll say, "	-

- 2. If someone remembers a lot of things, they have \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. If someone has an idea, then they have something \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. If someone accepts an apology, then the people \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. If someone apologizes, they may be trying to get \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. If someone likes someone a lot, then that person \_\_\_\_\_ to them.
- 7. If someone knows what you are thinking, we say that they can \_\_\_\_\_\_.



#### COMPREHENSION OUESTIONS



- 1. Why is Amy upset with Jon?
- 2. Does Jon have a good memory?
- 3. What solution does Jon propose to Amy?
- 4. Is Amy happy with Jon's solution?







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#### DIALOGUE READING •

Read the dialogue with your partner a few times. Take turns being each character. Practice your intonation and pronunciation. Write down any new words or phrases in your notebook.



Jon:	Why are you so upset, Amy?
Amy:	Don't you know?
Jon:	Well, I can't <b>read your mind</b> .
Amy:	It was our one-year anniversary yesterday!
Jon:	Oh my God! I completely forgot. I'm so sorry, Amy.
Amy:	What can "sorry" do?
Jon:	I don't have a memory like an elephant.
Amy:	I just can't believe you forgot.
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Amy:	Okay. You have a deal. But you're not off the hook yet!

