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### FROM THE PRINICIPAL'S DESK



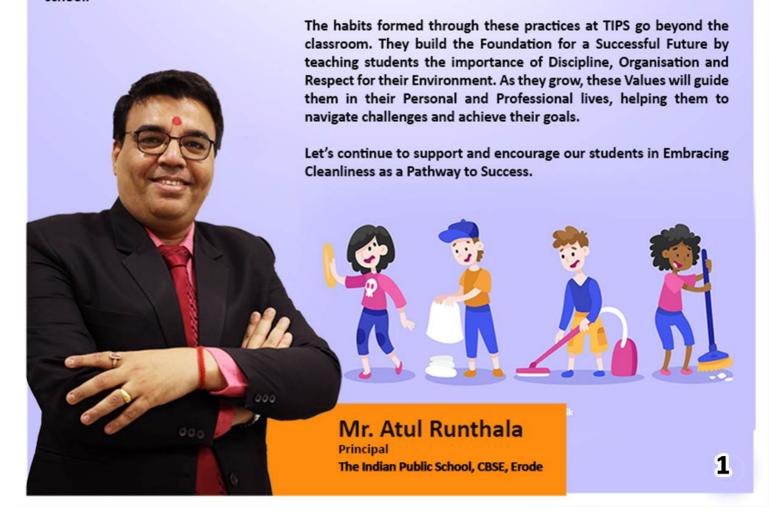
### Cleanliness as the Foundation for Success at TIPS!

I want to reinforce our commitment to the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and reflect on the profound impact that Cleanliness can have on a student's journey toward Success. At The Indian Public School (TIPS), we believe that Cleanliness is not just a practice, but a 'Foundational Value' that shapes Character, influences Behaviour and ultimately leads to Success.

Cleanliness is more than just keeping our surroundings tidy. It's about cultivating habits that foster discipline and focus on a healthy lifestyle. When students maintain Cleanliness in their environment, they create spaces that are conducive to Learning and Growth. A Clean Desk, a Well-Organised Classroom and a Neat School Uniform, all contribute to a mindset of readiness and responsibility—essential traits for Academic achievement.

At TIPS, we integrate the principles of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan into every aspect of our School Culture. We actively encourage students to participate in Cleanliness drives, both within the school and in the surrounding community. These activities are designed not only to keep our Environment Clean but also to instill a sense of Responsibility and Community Service in our students. By participating in these initiatives, students learn the Value of Teamwork, Leadership and the importance of contributing to society.

Our School has also implemented various programmes and practises to ensure that Cleanliness becomes a daily habit. Regular workshops, Awareness Sessions and Interactive Activities are organised to educate students about Personal hygiene, Waste management and Environmental conservation. We have also set up Cleanliness Committees, where students take the lead in maintaining the Cleanliness of their classrooms and common areas. This empowers them to take ownership of their surroundings and develop a sense of pride in their school.



### FROM THE HEAD OF CAMPUS' DESK



**GURU- The Dispeller of Ignorance!!!** 

Dear TIPSIANS,

Our Rich and Diverse Indian tradition gives immense prominence to the Guru- Shishya (Disciple) relationship. Water is water, though you call it by different names. Similarly, whatever modern jargons you may use for a Guru –Teacher, Mentor, Guide, Professor, etc. – they all undoubtedly signify a "Guru".

A Guru is one who dispels the 'Darkness' or 'Ignorance' from us and makes us trod in the path of 'Light' or 'Knowledge.' "GU" means 'Darkness' and "Ru" means 'Removal'. A Guru is the one who dispels or removes the seeds of Ignorance and gives the roots of Enlightenment or Wisdom to the Disciples.



There are THREE important Gurus in our Life whom we should never forget to pay our Respects and Obedience to.

- Parents: Our Parents are our first Gurus who instil Good Values and Moral Principles in our Life.
  They are the Gurus who taught us our first step in recognising the world around us, the art and nuances
  of Speaking and the Virtuous and Ruthless facets of Life. Let's imbibe the Quality of Respecting and
  Obeying our Parents and be Truthful to them for all the priceless Gifts and Blessings they have
  showered on us.
- 2. Teachers: Teachers are our Second Gurus. They impart Knowledge of various subjects and the Wisdom of Life that travels with us throughout our Life. They identify both our Strengths and Shortcomings and support us to navigate through the challenges of Life.

Teachers should be regarded as Gurus and not merely as Teachers.

- A Teacher 'takes responsibility' for your actions, while a Guru 'makes you responsible' for your actions.
- A Teachers 'Instructs' you, but a Guru 'Constructs' You.
- A Teacher 'Sharpens' your Mind, whereas a Guru 'opens' your Mind.
- A Teacher 'Leads' you by the 'Hand', while a Guru 'Leads' by 'Example'.
- When a Teacher finishes with you, 'You Celebrate'; On the other hand, when a Guru finishes with you, 'Life Celebrates'.

So Respect Your Teachers and see how Life Celebrates you in this Transformative Journey!





3. Life: The Third Guru is the 'Life' itself which teaches you through various experiences — The Good, Bad and the Ugly you face in Life and also through various people you meet and the various circumstances you encounter. These Experiences shape you to be better individuals and open your mind to understand Life in its Totality!

In the modern world, where Commercialisation and Materialism are dominant, the Role of a Guru gains Paramount Significance for the Holistic Development of the Student Community. Gurus surpass the boundaries Modern of Education, guiding individuals Self-awareness towards Unstoppable Success through Inner Transformation and Peace. It's high time we recognise that the true essence of Education lies in nurturing the Mind, Body and Soul, rather than merely pursuing material success through bookish knowledge.

In this context, let's truly Value, Respect and Celebrate "The Real Gurus" in our Lives- Our Parents, Teachers and Life by recognising the Successful Transformative Journey they prepare us for!

HAPPY "GURU DAY" TO ALL OUR

TEACHERS!



# **Editorial**



### LIFE LESSONS BEYOND THE GAME

### **Dear Students**

In light of our Sports Day celebrations, let us explore the values instilled through sports.

"Sports teach you character, it teaches you to play by the rules, it teaches you to know what it feels like to win and lose – it teaches you about life." – Billie Jean King

Sports are not just about competition; they are a rich source of life lessons and values that shape an individual's character. Participation in sports helps students understand the importance of teamwork, discipline, and perseverance. It teaches them to respect both victory and defeat, making them more resilient in facing challenges.

Through sports, students learn about fair play and integrity. Winning or losing, they grasp the essence of giving their best effort, which is crucial both on the field and in life. The ability to set goals, work hard, and handle pressure prepares them for future challenges.

Moreover, sports build camaraderie and foster leadership skills. Athletes understand the value of collaboration and how collective effort can achieve great outcomes. As Indian cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar said, "People throw stones at you and you convert them into milestones." This captures the spirit of overcoming obstacles through dedication.

Ultimately, sports instill values that last a lifetime, encouraging students to become stronger, more determined, and ethically grounded individuals.



# **Integrated Insights**



### Dear Parents,

As the Academic Director, I would like to take this opportunity to speak directly to you regarding the crucial upcoming months for our Grade 12 students. We are now in September, and these next two months are pivotal for their academic journey. I would like to share an overview of our progress and the planned activities so that you are fully informed and can support your children in the best possible way.

# Grade 12 Integrated Program September to October Timeline

### 1. Board Exam Expert Sessions

We have scheduled a series of Expert Sessions for the CBSE Board exams to help students prepare thoroughly. Here's a snapshot of the schedule:

Biology & Computer Science: Successfully completed on September 4th. Students gained insights into the examination pattern, deleted portions, important areas, and how to present their answers in the best possible manner.

Physics: Coming up on September 11th

Chemistry: September 18th English: September 25th

Mathematics, Psychology, Physical Education & Computer Science (for NEET

students): October 16th

Each session is designed to focus on:

- The examination pattern
- Topic-wise weightage and focus areas
- Presentation techniques for answering questions
- Do's and don'ts for exam day

### 2. Pre-Board Exams

Following the expert sessions, we have scheduled the Pre-Board Exams from October 18th to October 28th. These exams will give students an accurate understanding of where they stand in their preparation and allow us to address any remaining areas of concern.

### **Subjects Covered:**

English, Biology, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science, Psychology



### **INTEGRATED FLASH EXAM SERIES**



### What's Next: NEFT & JEE Focus

As we move into November, our focus shifts toward intensive preparation for NEET and JEE, alongside the Grade 11 revision.

### For NEET Students

Grade 11 revision begins in November and continues until April.

During board exams, they will also participate in AIATS Test Series to ensure continuous preparation.

### For JEE Students:

Complete Grade 12 portions by October to start focusing on JEE Mains Phase 1 preparation in November.

Board practical exams are expected in early February, followed by the main board exams starting February 15th.

### A Message to Our Students

The next two months are critical for both NEET and JEE aspirants. You must work with focus and dedication to complete your Grade 12 syllabus by October, allowing for ample time to revise your Grade 11 portions starting in November.

Remember, mastering both the Grade 11 and 12 concepts is key, as NEET and JEE cover a vast syllabus with nearly 100 to 200 concepts. Use this time wisely, attend your expert sessions, and do not hesitate to ask for extra help if needed.

### Support from Parents

Parents, we kindly request your support in creating a conducive environment for your children at home. Ensure that they are mentally and physically well-prepared to face the challenges ahead. Your role is critical during this period, and with your guidance, they will feel confident and ready.

### **Final Words**

As a school, we are fully committed to providing all necessary support. Extra classes and individual attention are always available should students need them. Please feel free to reach out to us with any concerns or questions. Together, we will ensure our students are well-prepared and successful in their academic journey.

Thank you for your continued support.



Mrs. Latha Raja
Academic Director, Integrated Program

### **Festival of Wisdom**



### The Festival of Wisdom and New Beginnings: Ganesh Chaturthi

Ganesh Chaturthi is a vibrant and joyful festival celebrated in honor of Lord Ganesha, the elephant-headed god revered as the remover of obstacles, the patron of arts and sciences, and the god of wisdom and intellect. Ganesha, also known as "Vighnaharta" (remover of obstacles), holds a special place in the hearts of students and scholars, as he is considered the deity of learning and success. His blessings are often sought before starting new ventures, exams, or important life decisions.

For students, Ganesha is especially revered as the god of knowledge and learning. He is often depicted with a book or scroll, highlighting his deep connection with education. Students pray to him for clarity, focus, and success in their academic pursuits. The large ears of Ganesha remind students to be good listeners, while his small eyes symbolize concentration—qualities essential for learning.

Ganesh Chaturthi, celebrated with great devotion and enthusiasm, marks the birth of Ganesha and is observed installation with the Ganesha idols in homes and public pandals. Prayers, songs, and offerings are made to the god, seeking his blessings for prosperity and success. The festival serves as a reminder of the importance of humility, dedication, and perseverance in achieving success.

The festival fosters unity and devotion, reminding students of the importance of discipline and faith in achieving their Ganesh Chaturthi goals. teaches us that with the right mindset and dedication, any obstacle can be overcome, making Ganesha the ideal source strength wisdom for all. By seeking Ganesha's blessings, students and devotees alike guided to overcome challenges and strive for wisdom and success in every aspect of life.



# Kaleidoscope



### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY-BUILDING CHARACTER AND COMMUNITY

Grade 9G conducted an engaging assembly on the topic Swachh Abhiyan, combining environmental awareness with valuable tips on improving mental health. The students participated enthusiastically, delivering a captivating skit that highlighted the importance of keeping our surroundings clean and green. Their performances brought the message of cleanliness to life, encouraging everyone to take responsibility for a cleaner environment. Alongside this, insightful advice on mental well-being was shared, reminding students that a clean mind is just as important as a clean environment. The assembly was a lively mix of creativity and awareness, leaving a lasting impact on the audience



















# Kaleidoscope



### **Classroom Activity: Business Environment Analysis**

The aim of the session was to provide students with a practical understanding of the different components of the business environment and how these factors impact companies across various industries. Students were expected to research, analyze, and present their findings on the political, economic, social, technological, legal, and environmental factors affecting a business.

The session was highly interactive and provided valuable insights into the real-world application of business environment analysis. The students were engaged, thoughtful, and demonstrated a solid understanding of how businesses must adapt to external influences. With continued practice in these areas, they will be well-prepared for future case studies and business-related projects.



















# **Career Compass**



# "The future belongs to those who learn, innovate and inspire others along the way"

The latest episode of TIPS Alumni Speaks featuring our 2017 alumnus, Rishie Nandhan Babu, was an engaging and insightful session.

The session was filled with energy, curiosity and inspiring conversations as Rishie, who is currently pursuing his M.S. in Computer Science at New York University, USA, engaged our students in a lively discussion on various topics. From the evolving world of Artificial Intelligence to practical tips for NYU applications and even reminiscing about cherished school memories — the event was a blend of learning, nostalgia and inspiration.

Our students actively participated, asking thoughtful questions and sharing their views, making the session truly interactive and enriching for all.







# Student's Pen



### **Heartfelt Thank You to My Teachers**

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all my teachers who have motivated, inspired, and challenged me to become the person I am today. Among them, there is one teacher who stands out as a great role model for me. Her humour, with sarcasm, never fails to make me giggle, adding joy to the learning process. She has a unique understanding that goes beyond the classroom, grasping things even my parents couldn't. I'll never forget how she convinced my parents, who initially refused to let me participate in a dance competition, to support my passion. Isabella mam, I am truly grateful that you are my class teacher. What I admire most about her is her willingness to go above and beyond for her students. She often sacrifices her own class time to help us understand the silly and careless mistakes we make. Her advice is always filled with wisdom, and her kindness knows no bounds. She believes that every child is gifted with talent, and she nurtures that belief in each of us. She has truly made a lasting impact on my life, and for that, I am deeply grateful.

"The best teachers don't give you the answers, they spark within you the desire to find the answer yourself".



# Student's Pen



### FIRST CONTACT PROTOCOL

As the Glocians set out in search of tools, one thing is evident to them.

"The humans are looking at us as if we're aliens. Oh... well..." thought Nyx to herself.

Humans stared at Glocians, wondering if they were real or just costumes. The Glocians were quite overwhelmed by the attention that they were getting. They even saw pictures of themselves on a bright screen with humans talking on it.

"Honestly, I don't like this. What if the humans decide to attack us all of a sudden?" asked Nyx. She was extremely paranoid and anxious about this new exposure.

The Glocians weren't expecting to see so many humans, somehow, they were never detected in their radars so they thought that their population shouldn't exceed 50. However, they saw at least 50 humans just on their walk.

"Either way, we'll still be just as powerless. Even if we return to Icarus now, Nero is still broken. We wouldn't be able to defend ourselves if we wanted to. We have nothing, we're helpless. If we continue our search, we may find something that'll help us fix Nero and we could escape" reasoned Ravenna.

As they continued to walk, they found metal scraps lying in a scrapyard. It was accompanied by some tools that, although the Glocians used different tools, could help a lot to restore their ship. Thalric was the first to notice this.

"Hey Ravenna, look at that. We could use those things for Nero." he said. Ravenna jumped over the little fencing that went around the scrapyard. She took the metal scraps, a few screws that were lying around, screwdrivers and hammers. Just as she was running towards the other two, a human spotted her.

"HEY! HEY YOU! STOP RIGHT THERE! YOU CAN'T STEAL STUFF FROM HERE!" he yelled.

He was just a normal human who thought that someone had gotten into the scrapyard and was taking part in thievery. He was blissfully unaware of the fact that the presumed thief was an alien. The man immediately called the cops.

The Glocians carried the scraps of metals and tools and tried to run. Not long after were they confronted by a group of policemen. They stopped in their tracks and looked at each other. The policemen had guns. Guns had bullets. Bullets had lead. Lead was lethal to Glocians.

The Glocians could smell the lead. They dropped the metals and sighed. "Guess this is where it ends" said Thalric, drawing a shaky breath.

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Smrithi Saravanan-10A



# Student's Pen



## To the Guiding Lights

In your hands, we bloom and grow, Through every lesson, you help us know, That knowledge is a precious key, Unlocking doors to who we'll be.

Your words of wisdom, gentle and kind, Shape not just our minds, but the soul behind, You teach us to dream, to aim so high, And spread our wings so we can fly.

In patience, you sow seeds of care, With every heart, you choose to share, A piece of yourself, so pure, so true, Dear teacher, we owe it all to you.

You see the light when we see the dark, You guide our steps, you leave a mark, A mark of love, a mark of grace, That time can never quite erase.

So today, we honor all you give, In every word, in how we live, For teaching us not just to learn, But to be kind, to love, and yearn.

Thank you for the countless ways, You've shaped our lives, our hearts, our days, In gratitude, we sing this praise— For you, dear teacher, on this day.

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# From Dreams to Triumph



### Pride Unveiled: A Mother's Joy in Her Son's Inspiring Journey

As a mother, there is nothing more fulfilling than witnessing your child grow into a remarkable individual. Today, I find myself reflecting with immense pride on my son's journey through academia and personal development. Rishie Nandhan, my son, is currently pursuing his masters in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, at Newyork University. He was present in school this week, to deliver a peptalk to the higher secondary students. A mom witnessing such an event is so fulfilling that it instantly reminded me of the divine's grace and here, I am excited to share my thoughts on his journey!

His academic achievements are just one facet of his growth; the evolution of his character and the person he has become are equally noteworthy. Beyond the accolades and certificates, what truly stands out is the way he has harnessed his education to shape his character. His teachers all through his educational years, created a positive impact on his personality and the faith they had in his abilities is laudable! Shankar Sir, his computer teacher at Tips, is the one who discovered his coding ability back then and kept inspiring him throughout. Thanking Sir, on this occasion.

One of the most significant aspects of his growth has been his ability to balance academic excellence with personal development. He has taken on leadership roles, engaged in community service, and explored various interests outside the classroom. These experiences have not only enhanced his resume but have also molded him into a well-rounded individual with a compassionate and resilient nature.

He has faced setbacks with grace and used them as opportunities for growth, demonstrating resilience and a mature perspective that surpasses his years. His ability to learn from these experiences and remain focused on his goals speaks volumes about his character.

As a mother, my pride extends beyond his achievements; it encompasses the values he embodies and the person he is becoming. His integrity, empathy, and dedication reflect the core principles we strived to instill in him. Seeing him embrace these values and apply them in various aspects of his life reaffirms the importance of nurturing not just academic success but also personal development.

As he continues to forge his path, I am confident that he will use his education and personal growth to make a meaningful impact in the world. My pride in him is boundless, and I look forward to witnessing the future he will create, driven by the same passion and dedication that have brought him to this point.

Thanking our respected Principal Atul Sir, Radhai Mam, Nedumaran Sir for providing this opportunity to my son and CGPS team (Ms Prashanti and Mr Sarjun) for being instrumental in organizing the program.



Psychologist and Student Counselor, TIPS CBSE.



# **Teacher's Corner**



### The MAMALLAPURAM LIGHTHOUSE

The Mamallapuram Lighthouse, located in the ancient town of Mamallapuram (also known as Mahabalipuram) in Tamil Nadu, India, is a historic and significant landmark.

The more modern lighthouse was built in 1887 by the British. This cylindrical granite structure is still functional today, guiding ships along the southeastern coast. It is situated near the Shore Temple, another UNESCO World Heritage site in Mamallapuram, which is famous for its ancient rock-cut temples and sculptures.

The lighthouse, with its modern design, complements the ancient structures surrounding it.

Visitors can climb to the top of the lighthouse for a panoramic view of the Bay of Bengal and the surrounding landscape. The view from the lighthouse is particularly beautiful during sunrise and sunset. This lighthouse, combining ancient heritage with colonial history, is a testament to the enduring legacy of Mamallapuram as a centre of culture and trade.

Mrs. Isabella K J Department of English

























# **Teacher's Corner**



### THE LAUGHING KOOKABURRA

The laughing kookaburra (*Dacelo novaeguineae*) is a bird in the kingfisher subfamily Halcyoninae. It is a large robust kingfisher with a whitish head and a brown eye-stripe. The laughing kookaburra is the world's largest kingfisher. It measures up to 46 centimetres from the tip of its beak to the tip of its tail. When compared to the little kingfisher, which is only 12 centimetres long, the laughing kookaburra is truly a giant.

It is Known as the "Bushman's alarm clock" because it has a very loud call, a laughing kookaburra vocalizes in its family group at dawn and dusk. The call sounds like a variety of trills, chortles, belly laughs, and hoots. It starts and ends with a low chuckle and has a shrieking "laugh" in the middle. The territorial call is a distinctive laugh that is often delivered by several birds at the same time, and is widely used as a stock sound effect in situations that involve a jungle setting.

The upperparts are mostly dark brown but there is a mottled light-blue patch on the wing coverts. The underparts are cream-white and the tail is barred with rufous and black. The plumage of the male and female birds is similar.

The laughing kookaburra is native to eastern mainland Australia, but has also been introduced to parts of New Zealand, Tasmania, and Western Australia. It occupies dry eucalypt forest, woodland, city parks and gardens. This species is sedentary and occupies the same territory throughout the year.

It is monogamous, retaining the same partner for life. A breeding pair can be accompanied by up to five fully grown non-breeding offspring from previous years that help the parents defend their territory and raise their young. The laughing kookaburra generally breeds in unlined tree holes or in excavated holes in arboreal termite nests. The usual clutch is three white eggs. The parents and the helpers incubate the eggs and feed the chicks. The youngest of the three nestlings or chicks is often killed by the older siblings. When the chicks fledge they continue to be fed by the group for six to ten weeks until they are able to forage independently.



# The Reading Nook



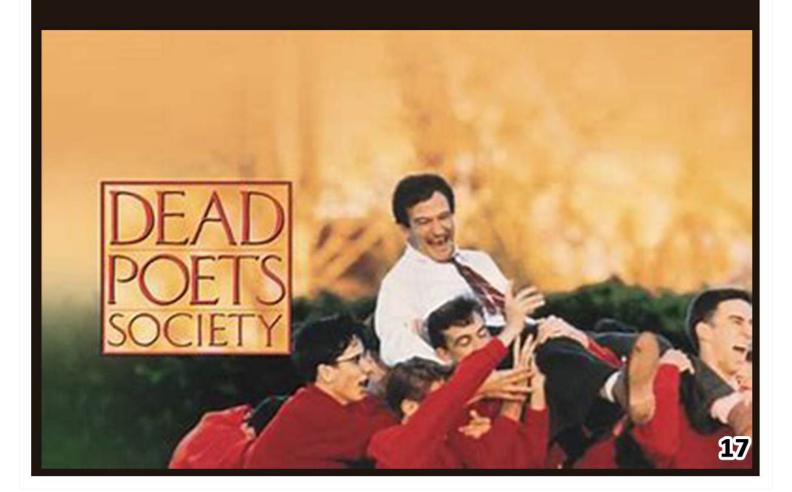
"Dead Poets Society" by N.H. Kleinbaum is a novelization of the popular 1989 film directed by Peter Weir and starring Robin Williams. The story is set at the prestigious Welton Academy, a conservative and traditional boys' prep school in Vermont during the late 1950s.

The novel follows the lives of a group of students whose perspectives on life are transformed by their new English teacher, Mr. John Keating. Unlike other teachers at Welton, who adhere strictly to the school's conservative values ("tradition, honor, discipline, excellence"), Mr. Keating encourages the boys to think for themselves, embrace individuality, and live passionately.

He introduces them to the concept of "carpe diem" (seize the day) and rekindles the old school literary club, the "Dead Poets Society," where students gather to read and discuss poetry in secret. Through poetry, the boys find new ways to express themselves and challenge the rigid expectations placed upon them by their families and the school.

Mr. Keating embodies the idea of a teacher who does more than impart knowledge—he changes lives. His unorthodox approach to teaching and his ability to inspire students to see the world differently make Dead Poets Society a powerful read for educators and anyone passionate about learning.

HAPPY TEACHERS' DAY TO ALL THE EDUCATORS



# **Know your English**

# TIPSIAN WEEKLY TIPS CBSE ERODE

### 1. Bite the Bullet

- Meaning: To endure a painful or unpleasant situation that is unavoidable.
- Etymology: This phrase originates from the practice in the 19th century, before anesthesia was widely used.
   Soldiers or patients would literally bite on a bullet to cope with the pain during surgery or other painful procedures.

### 2. Break the Ice

- Meaning: To initiate conversation in a social setting to relieve tension or awkwardness.
- Etymology: In the past, when ships carrying goods would get stuck in frozen waters, smaller ice-breaking ships were sent to break the ice and clear the way. Metaphorically, it refers to removing social barriers to make interactions smoother.

### 3. The Ball is in Your Court

- Meaning: It's now your responsibility to make the next decision or move.
- Etymology: This idiom comes from the sport of tennis or other ball games, where once the ball is served, it's the opponent's turn to respond. Similarly, in conversations or tasks, the phrase means that it's someone else's turn to take action.

### 4. Spill the Beans

- Meaning: To reveal a secret or disclose information prematurely.
- Etymology: This idiom is believed to have originated in ancient Greece, where votes were cast by placing beans in a container. If someone "spilled the beans" accidentally, the vote would be revealed prematurely, thus spoiling the secrecy.

### 5. Bury the Hatchet

- . Meaning: To make peace or resolve a dispute.
- Etymology: This phrase comes from Native American tribes who would literally bury weapons, such as hatchets, as a symbolic gesture of peace when ending conflicts or forming alliances.

### 6. Butter Someone Up

- Meaning: To flatter someone in order to gain their favor.
- Etymology: This phrase has origins in ancient India, where people would throw butterballs at statues of gods to seek their favor. Over time, this came to symbolize giving excessive praise to someone to win them over.

### 7. Let the Cat Out of the Bag

- . Meaning: To accidentally reveal a secret.
- Etymology: In medieval markets, farmers would sell pigs in bags, but some unscrupulous sellers would put a cat in the bag instead. Once the buyer let the cat out of the bag, the deception was revealed. Hence, it now refers to unintentionally revealing something that was meant to be bidden

### 8. Burning the Midnight Oil

- . Meaning: To work late into the night.
- Etymology: Before electric lights were invented, people used oil lamps to work or study after dark. "Burning the midnight oil" refers to staying up late and continuing to work long after others have gone to bed.

### 9. Kick the Bucket

- Meaning: To die.
- Etymology: There are various theories for this phrase's origin. One suggests that in old slaughterhouses, animals would be hung from a beam (often referred to as a "bucket"). When the animal struggled, it would sometimes kick the bucket, symbolizing the moment of death.

### 10. Pulling Someone's Leg

- Meaning: To joke or tease someone.
- Etymology: This phrase may have originated from street thieves in old London who would trip someone by pulling their leg to rob them. Over time, the idea of pulling someone's leg took on a less literal and more humorous meaning, indicating lighthearted teasing rather than malice.



# Vocab voyage



Aplomb - Complete and confident composure or self-assurance, especially in a demanding situation.

Parts of Speech: Noun

Example in a Sentence: She handled the challenging questions with aplomb during the interview.

Etymology of the word: The word aplomb originates from the French term "à plomb," which literally means "according to the plummet" or "perpendicularity." In Old French, "plomb" refers to lead, which was used in plumb lines to ensure straightness or balance. Over time, the figurative sense of the word evolved, referring to having balance or assurance in difficult situations. The English adaptation retained this metaphorical meaning, signifying self-confidence or composure under pressure, much like how a plumb line maintains steadiness. The word first appeared in English in the early 19th century.



