

Life Is Just A...



(Bowl of Cherries)

Idioms Illustrated & Explained

idiom (n.)- an expression whose meaning can not be derived from its elements

How many times over the course of a day do you hear these? They're so common in our vernacular that we hardly take the time to recognize them. There are thousands in the English language alone, so of course, no such exhibit could ever be considered complete.

You'll learn much about the interesting origins of these sayings. I guarantee you'll find some surprises, both in philatelic content and general information. Don't expect to find rare or expensive items. Most of the philatelic material here intentionally came from dealer junk boxes, proving that exhibiting can be done on a shoestring budget by anyone with an idea.

Most important is your participation! You can play along by reading each and completing the phrase. In case you don't "get it," pull on the colored tab, underneath which you'll find the completion of the phrase. Some are a bit of a stretch, but have fun with it!

The exhibit is presented as a thematic special study, per the plan below. It should be noted that more than ten idiom references were consulted for this work, and origins were not always consistent, or even known. However, majority rules applied.

Plan (also known as clues!)

I - Animals

II - Food

III - Man

IV - Sports & Games

V - Nature

VI - Music

VII - Pot Luck