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Frightful Figures of Speech

Directions: Read each Halloween-themed idiom below. Match it to the correct meaning by writing the letter of the meaning beside each idiom. Use context clues and think about what each spooky phrase might *really* mean!

Idioms:

- _____ 1. Scared stiff
- _____ 2. In the dark
- _____ 3. Skeleton in the closet
- _____ 4. Night owl
- _____ 5. Dig your own grave
- _____ 6. Over my dead body
- _____ 7. Ghost town
- _____ 8. Jump out of your skin
- _____ 9. Witch hunt
- _____ 10. Spill your guts

Meanings:

- A. To reveal personal secrets or share everything you know
- B. Extremely frightened or terrified
- C. Stay up late and be active at night
- D. A place that is empty or abandoned
- E. To cause your own problems or trouble through your actions
- F. To refuse to let something happen
- G. A search for someone to blame, often unfairly
- H. Shocked or startled suddenly
- I. Keeping a shameful or embarrassing secret
- J. Not knowing what's happening or being uninformed