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## Figurative Fill-In Answer Key

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| 1. break the ice         | 6. on cloud nine             |
| 2. under the weather     | 7. once in a blue moon       |
| 3. hit the books         | 8. in hot water              |
| 4. spill the beans       | 9. the ball is in your court |
| 5. cost an arm and a leg | 10. bite the bullet          |

### Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Reinforcing understanding of **idioms in context** and building comprehension through figurative language recognition.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
  - For younger or emerging readers, read the passage aloud and pause for group discussion at each blank.
  - For advanced learners, remove the word bank and challenge them to choose idioms independently or replace them with new ones.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
  - Turn it into a "Class Idiom Story"-students suggest alternate idioms to change the tone or humor of the passage.
  - Have students act out or illustrate the idioms they filled in.
- **Extension Activities:**
  - Ask students to write their own short story using at least five idioms naturally in context.
  - Create a "Figurative Flipbook" where students define, draw, and write sentences for idioms they used correctly.