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Idiom Sleuth Answer Key

Passage 1: break the ice; piece of cake

Passage 2: raining cats and dogs; crying over spilled milk

Passage 3: keep your chin up

Passage 4: burning the midnight oil; hit the nail on the head

Passage 5: let the cat out of the bag; cost an arm and a leg

Teacher Notes:

- This worksheet trains students to **recognize idioms in context** rather than in isolation.
- For added challenge, ask students to **explain each idiom's meaning** in their own words.
- Extension: Have students **write a short passage of their own** that includes at least 3 idioms.