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Idiom Fill-Ins Answer Key

1. break the ice - Jenna was nervous about starting her new job, but her manager told a funny story to **break the ice**.
2. hit the sack - I stayed up all night studying for the exam, so I'll probably have to **hit the sack** early tonight.
3. cry over spilled milk - Don't worry about the mistake; there's no use to **cry over spilled milk**.
4. hit the nail on the head - The soccer coach said my comment about teamwork really **hit the nail on the head**.
5. costs an arm and a leg - Their family vacation to Europe was exciting, but it **costs an arm and a leg**.
6. once in a blue moon - We rarely eat out at fancy restaurants, only **once in a blue moon**.
7. piece of cake - Solving that math problem was a **piece of cake** for Lisa—she finished it in seconds.
8. under the weather - I've been feeling a little **under the weather**, so I think I'll rest today.
9. a blessing in disguise - Even though losing the job felt terrible, it turned out to be a **blessing in disguise** when I found a better one.
10. burn the midnight oil - The project deadline is tomorrow, so we'll have to **burn the midnight oil** tonight to finish it.

Teacher Notes:

- This worksheet emphasizes **context clues** to understand idioms, not just memorization.
- Encourage students to **say the completed sentences aloud** to practice how idioms sound in natural speech.
- For an extension, students can pick one idiom and **write a short paragraph or dialogue** using it in a new context.