

# When would you say...

Choose all correct answers.  
Explain why the other answers are wrong.

Anger idioms

1. She drives me up a wall.

- a. She climbs walls.
- b. She makes me crazy.
- c. She's strange.

2. My boss blew his stack/top when

- a. I deleted the report.
- b. I forgot his name.
- c. I broke the photocopier.

3. I was hopping mad when my best friend

- a. stood me up
- b. forgot my birthday
- c. lost my i-Pod

4. Something that makes your blood boil is

- a. hot weather
- b. boiling soup
- c. people who are thoughtless and unkind

5. You tear your hair out when

- a. you hate your hairstyle
- b. it's very hot
- c. when very frustrated

6. You say - Don't have a cow to

- a. a farmer who lost a cow
- b. to someone who is upset about nothing
- c. when playing Farmville

7. Your father went ballistic, because

- a. He likes rockets.
- b. He's extremely angry.
- c. He's interested in outer space.

8. I would scream bloody murder when

- a. I was frightened.
- b. Someone was just murdered.
- c. I am livid.

9. She went bananas when she lost her passport.

- a. She sells bananas.
- b. She was very upset.
- c. She bought bananas.

10. When the worst team wins that takes the cake.

- a. the cake is the prize
- b. it's unfair
- c. the team prefers cake to winning a cup

11. When he loses in tennis, he sees red.

- a. He's really upset.
- b. He's colorblind.
- c. He gets like a bull when it sees a red cape.

12. I was so ticked off when I missed the train.

- a. I didn't care.
- b. It was my fault.
- c. I was annoyed.

13. His dad was as mad as a hornet.

- a. There's a nest of hornets at his house.
- b. He's crazy not angry.
- c. Look out! He's fuming

14. His mom blew up when she saw his report card.

- a. She blew up balloons.
- b. She was furious.
- c. She didn't mind.

15. Noisy neighbors really get my goat.

- a. The neighbors took my goat.
- b. Goats are noisy too.
- c. It bothers me a lot.

16. People who talk non-stop get on my nerves.

- a. I don't like it.
- b. My nerves are shot.
- c. They make me nervous.

17. That was the last straw.

- a. We are out of straws.
- b. I can't take it any more.
- c. That was way too much.

18. I was beside myself with worry.

- a. I'm really worried.
- b. I sat beside my friend.
- c. I am not at all bothered.

19. For crying out loud will you be quiet.

- a. Someone is making a lot of noise.
- b. I was crying loudly.
- c. I don't mind at all.

20. Steam was pouring out of his ears.

- a. He just drank hot coffee.
- b. He's really mad.
- c. It's a very hot day.