

FIGURES OF SPEECH

You'd better button up your lip.

Is dinner ready yet? I could eat a horse.

Dad was racking his brain trying to remember where he left the car keys.

My sister swims like a fish.

Oh, dear, we're up the creek without a paddle.

I can't believe you did that. Are you off your rocker?

Coach said the team was driving him up the wall.

Can you think of way out of the jam you're in?

"Don't bite my head off," said Jules. "It wasn't my fault you got caught."

Why are you so crazy about that singer?

You could have knocked me over with a feather when I won the trophy.

It's been raining cats and dogs all day.

Paolo's teacher was singing his praises when she met his parents.

"Don't count your chickens before they hatch," he warned the children.

She crept as quiet as a mouse past the baby's crib.

It turned out to be a wild goose chase after all.

Everyone was upset with Larry after he let the cat out of the bag about the surprise party.

I'm a real chicken about heights.

Dad was smiling from ear to ear when he saw the new motorcycle.

Time stood still as we waited to hear the winner's name.

"Stop bugging me!" he shouted at his little sister.

It must be true; I got it straight from the horse's mouth.

His boss just gave him the ax.

The third time the thief appeared in court, the judge threw the book at him.

When Mrs. Carter turned fifty years old, she felt like she was over the hill.

My grandma always says, “Time flies when you’re having fun.”

Jeff and Maria don’t see eye to eye on the best way to do the project.

“I’ll do it when the cows come home,” said the lazy boy.

You’ve got rocks in your head if you think that will work!