

I Love Idioms! (2) - Animals

Fill the gaps with a word from the list. There are two extra words.

bull butterflies cat dog donkey goat horse pig oyster starfish

1. We can't all stay at Hugo's flat. It's tiny. There's not enough room to swing a _____.
 2. I'm sure I've failed my exam. I made a right _____'s ear of it.
 3. You're young. You can do anything or go anywhere. The world is your _____.
 4. Polly is feeling very nervous before her first date with Michael. She has _____ in her stomach.
 5. This is such a one-_____ town! I can't wait to move somewhere bigger and livelier.
 6. It really gets my _____ that Gavin is always late for everything.
 7. I'm not lending you any more of my books. You always return them all _____-eared.
 8. I love this song. I haven't heard it in _____'s years. Turn up the radio!
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Answers

1. cat 2. pig 3. oyster 4. butterflies 5. horse 6. goat 7. dog 8. donkey

Conversation Questions:

1. Have you made a pig's ear of something recently?
2. Tell me/us about the last time you had butterflies in your stomach.
3. What is something that has got your goat recently?
4. Tell me/us about a friend who you haven't seen in donkey's years.
5. What other animal idioms do you know in English?
6. Tell me/us about an animal idiom from your own language.