**Money Idioms and Conversation**

**1. Born With A Silver Spoon in One`s Mouth**

The idiom *born with a silver spoon in one’s mouth*means to be **bor**n rich. People born with a silver spoon in their mouth are usually children of wealthy parents who can give their kids comfortable lives and everything they want.

Example: She was born with a silver spoon in her mouth. By the time she was born, her parents were already self-made millionaires.

**2. Bread and Butter**

The idiom *bread and butter* refers to one’s source of income. A person makes bread and butter with his or her jobs, businesses or other sources of earnings.

Example: Writing is her bread and butter. She feeds and sends her kid to school with her earnings from writing online.

**3. Bring Home the Bacon**

*Bring home the bacon*is an idiom that stands for earning a salary. This idiom specifically suggests that the salary would be used to support a family.

Example: I work on weekends and holidays to bring home the bacon.

**4. Foot the Bill**

*Foot the bill* is an idiom that means to pay for the fees or price.

Example: I will help my daughter foot the bill of her college education.

**5. From Rags to Riches**

An idiom that represents from moving from poverty to prosperity is *from rags to riches.*

Example: She went from rags to riches with pure hardwork and some good investments.

**6. Have Sticky Fingers**

*Have sticky fingers*is an idiom that means to be a shoplifter, pickpocket or a thief.

Example: Keep an eye on your belongings. He has sticky fingers and might grab your phone when you’re not looking.

**7. Head Over Heels in Debt**

When somebody is described with the idiom *head over heels in debt*, then he or she owes so much money or has a lot of debt.

Example: She became head over heels in debt when she lost her job and was unemployed for a few months.

**8. Live from Hand to Mouth**

*Live from hand to mouth* is an idiom that means living on very little money.

Example: We had to live hand to mouth when my mom lost her job.

**9. Pay a King’s Ransom and Pay an Arm and a Leg**

The idiomatic expressions *pay a king’s ransom*and *pay an arm and a leg*both mean to pay a high price for something. The amount used to pay for something is very high, somehow unreasonable.

Example: I paid an arm and a leg to give her a party, but it was worth it. She had tons of fun!

**10. Penny Pincher**

The idiom *penny pincher* refers to someone who is overly conscious about money, even very small amounts of money. They don’t like to spend money too.

Example: My brother is a penny pincher. He does not want to buy his family Christmas gifts.

**11. Pick up the Tab/Check**

*Pick up the tab/check* is an idiom that is similar to *foot the bill*. This idiom means to pay for the bill or the expense.

Example: He picked up the tab for tonight’s dinner. He just got promoted and got a raise.

**12. Pour Money down the Drain**

The idiom *pour money down the drain* connotes misusing or throwing away money.

Example: She poured money down the train when she bought that used car that broke right away.

Can you explain these idioms/proverbs in other words?

* The best things in life are free.
* Time is money.
* Save your pennies for a rainy day.
* Money talks.
* You can't take it with you when you go.
* Money doesn't grow on trees.