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Complete these sentences with the correct idiom(s)

1. He was high as a kite after smoking some marijuana.
2. A: Did you see Mylie Cyrus' dress at the Grammy Awards?
B: Yeah! I wouldn't be caught dead wearing something like that! It looked really strange.
3. My teacher's like a father figure to me. He always gives me great advice and helps me when I need it.
4. Students should always study hard. They should always give 110%.
5. Make sure you take some tissues to that new movie! It's a real tear jerker.
6. The IT company uses the latest cutting edge technology.
7. Year in, year out the Lotte Giants are one of the best teams in the KBO.
8. Job Interviewer: Why should we hire you for this job?
Applicant: Because I care about this company and I'll work hard to make it even better.
Job Interviewer: Ok, thank you Mr. Kim. Just leave your e-mail address and we'll be in touch.
9. A: Sorry I'm late IU.
B: Oh, it's ok. It's no big deal.
10. The patient got better thanks to the good doctors and the nurses' TLC.
11. My friend thought the new James movie was great, but I thought it was just ok. We finally decided to agree to disagree.
12. The workers and management need lots of give and take when they're negotiating a new contract.
13. The student skipped the class, because she was under the impression that it was cancelled.
14. My roommate's really messy. He never cleans his side of the room. That's a real sore point between the 2 of us.
15. My Mom was angry, because I came home 5 minutes late. She's always making a mountain out of a molehill.

- a. a 110%
- b. agree to disagree
- c. big deal
- d. cutting edge
- e. father figure
- f. give and take
- g. in touch

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Write the meanings of these idioms in English

(www.idioms4you.com)

1. a good sport (someone who can accept a bad situation)
2. a lost cause (hopeless situation)
3. all for (to be completely in favor of)
4. at all costs (by any means)
5. bonehead (stupid person)
6. can tell (to understand or recognize)
7. clock in (#1) (to begin work)
8. come to an end (to conclude)
9. cut throat (competitive)
10. follow through on (complete an activity / doing what was promised)
11. fork over (to give)
12. gain ground (to progress)
13. get up in years (become old)
14. get your hands on (take possession of)
15. get in (#3) (become accepted into)

BUILDING ACADEMIC VOCABULARY

The words below are on the Academic Word List.* Find the words in "Who Wants to Marry a Soul Mate?" (The number in parentheses is the number of the paragraph.) If you are not sure what a word means, look it up in your dictionary. Then use the words in the sentences that follow.

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| financially (1) | previous (3) | created (3) | bond (11) |
| attitude (3) | generations (3) | secure (3) | participated (12) |
| economic (3) | | rely on (3) | |

1. Some people believe that the universe began with a big explosion, but others do not believe it was created in that way.
2. If your car always starts and never breaks down, you have a car you can rely on.
3. A photo of a woman with her daughter, granddaughter, and great-granddaughter shows four generations in a family.
4. Most job applications ask for information about work experience you've had. You usually have to list all your previous employers.
5. He has a close relationship with his cousin, but the bond with his brother is even stronger.
6. When she was in high school, she played soccer and belonged to several clubs; all together, she participated in four after-school activities.
7. Small children stay close to their mothers, where they feel safe and secure.
8. Students who hated school but like it now had a change in attitude.
9. Someone who loans you money helps you out financially.
10. If a country's unemployment rate is high—that is, if a lot of people can't find work—the country's economic situation is not good.

DEVELOPING READING SKILLS

◆ UNDERSTANDING THE MAIN IDEAS

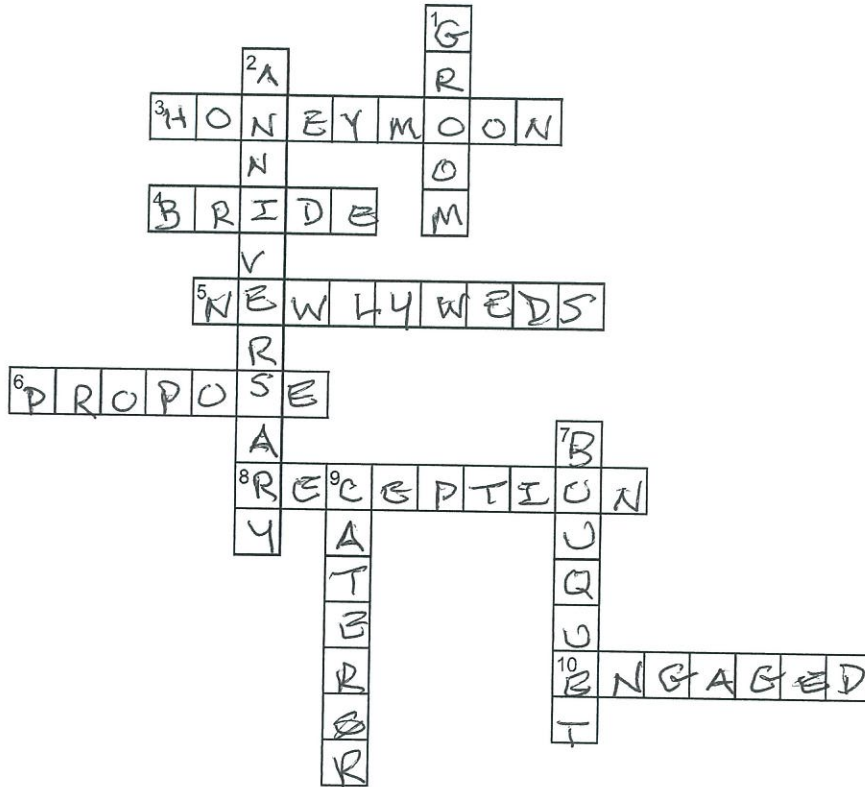
There are three correct ways to complete each sentence. Draw a line through the one incorrect answer.

1. A recent survey indicates that young adults in the United States want to marry a "soul mate." A soul mate is someone
 - a. with whom you have a deep emotional connection.
 - b. who understands you.
 - c. ~~who will help you financially.~~
 - d. who is your best friend and partner.

*For an explanation and the complete Academic Word List, see page 157.

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Weddings



Across

- 3 wedding trip
- 4 woman getting married
- 5 couple just married
- 6 to ask somebody to marry you
- 8 party after a wedding
- 10 promised to get married

Down

- 1 man getting married
- 2 yearly celebration of one's wedding date
- 7 bunch of flowers
- 9 person or group that provides food