

Quick Fix 107

Language function: discussing issues
 Vocabulary / Topic: idioms starting with OFF



STUDENT WORKSHEET

UPPER- INTERMEDIATE

activity 1. Match the idioms with their definitions

1. off limits	A. not being broadcast on TV or radio
2. off the record	B. told in confidence, unofficially
3. off the peg	C. away from the usual routes
4. off the air	D. not looking or feeling well
5. off colour	E. without preparation or previous thought
6. off the cuff	F. not performing as well as usual
7. off form	G. not to be entered or used
8. off one's own bat	H. ready-made, not made especially for the customer
9. off the beaten track	I. behaving in a uncontrollable way, disorganized and confused
10. off the rails	J. using one's own initiative, without advice or help of others

activity 2. Complete the questions with the idioms from activity 1 and answer them.

- Which programmes currently broadcast should be taken? Why?
- Would you like to be taken somewhere far for your next holiday? If yes, where exactly would you like to go?
- When was the last time you were feeling? Why were you feeling unwell?
- Why are so many young people going?
- Do you remember any remark that you later regretted?
- Which well-known sportsperson has been recently?
- Should Internet social sites be for children?
- Do you prefer buying clothes or tailor made garments?
- Do you think journalists should not reveal any information told them?
- Do you think politicians should sometimes make decisions without having a consensus of opinion from their own constituents?