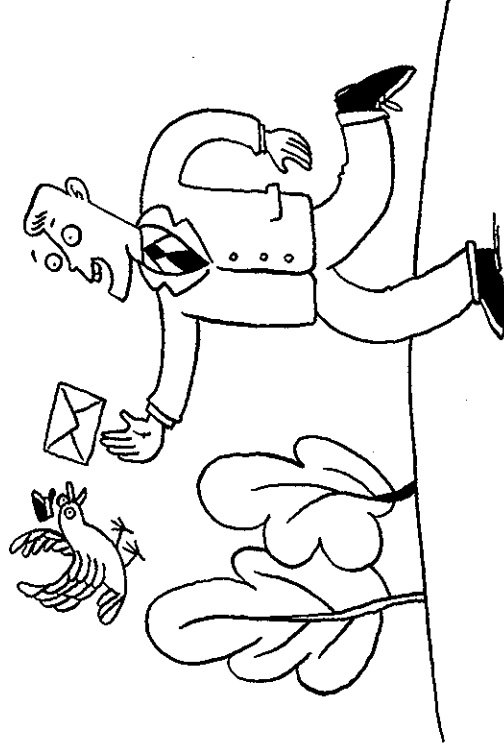


Say whether the idioms in the following sentences are used correctly (true) or incorrectly (false).

- | | True | False |
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| 1 Enrico ran so fast that he was completely out of breath. | ✓ | _____ |
| 2 I can't see us beating them at tennis this year - we're so out of practice. | _____ | _____ |
| 3 You'll have to stay at a hotel, I'm afraid. We're out of place at the moment. | _____ | _____ |
| 4 The demonstration got out of hand, so the police were called in. | _____ | _____ |
| 5 It's difficult to get hold of copies of the book as it's out of print. | _____ | _____ |
| 6 This TV set is out of condition. I'll have to get it repaired. | _____ | _____ |
| 7 The advanced computer course was really difficult and I felt really out of my depth. | _____ | _____ |
| 8 She's got a lovely voice - she can really sing out of tune! | _____ | _____ |
| 9 Most people would be pleased if they found themselves out of pocket. | _____ | _____ |
| 10 No, you can't borrow my car! It's quite out of the question! | _____ | _____ |
| 11 I wasn't expecting a letter from her. It arrived quite out of the blue. | _____ | _____ |
| 12 You probably wouldn't want to go to a party if you were feeling out of sorts. | _____ | _____ |
| 13 I feel quite fit. I've been out of the running for the past week. | _____ | _____ |

- 14 This area is normally out of bounds for non-members. _____
- 15 He's not out of the woods yet. He's still very young and inexperienced. _____
- 16 You'd better put those tablets out of reach of the children. _____



It arrived quite out of the blue.



The opposite of *out of* is *in*, so you can *sing in tune*, *be in* pocket and *be in* place.

To remember *out of pocket* imagine all your money falling out of your pocket, so you lose a lot of money.

Out of the blue refers to lightning appearing suddenly and unexpectedly in a blue sky.