

### An Englishman's home is his castle

(UK) This means that what happens in a person's home or private life is their business and should not be subject to outside interference.

### Chinese walls

Chinese walls are regulatory information barriers that aim to stop the flow of information that could be misused, especially in financial corporations.

### Chinese whispers

(UK) When a story is told from person to person, especially if it is gossip or scandal, it inevitably gets distorted and exaggerated. This process is called Chinese whispers.

### Double Dutch

(UK) If something is double Dutch, it is completely incomprehensible.

### Dutch auction

If something is sold by setting a price, then reducing it until someone buys it, it is sold in a Dutch auction. It can also mean that something is changed until it is accepted by everyone.

### Dutch courage

Dutch courage is the reckless bravery caused by drinking too much.

### Dutch treat

If something like a meal is a Dutch treat, then each person pays their own share of the bill.

### Dutch uncle

A Dutch uncle is a person who gives unwelcome advice.

### Dutch wife

A Dutch wife is a long pillow or a hot water bottle.

### For England

(UK) A person who talks for England, talks a lot- if you do something for England, you do it a lot or to the limit.

### French leave

To take French leave is to leave a gathering without saying goodbye or without permission.

### French letter

A French letter is a condom.

### Go Dutch

If you go Dutch in a restaurant, you pay equal shares for the meal.

### Good Samaritan

A good Samaritan is a person who helps others in need.

### Greek to me

If you don't understand something, it's all Greek to you.

### If you'll pardon my French

(UK) This idiom is used as a way of apologising for swearing.

### Indian file

If people walk in Indian file, they walk in a line one behind the other.

### Indian giver

An Indian giver gives something, then tries to take it back.

### Indian summer

If there is a period of warmer weather in late autumn, it is an Indian summer.

### Like Chinese arithmetic

If something is complicated and hard to understand, it's like Chinese arithmetic.

### Mexican standoff

When there is a deadlock in strategy and neither side can do anything that will ensure victory, it's a Mexican standoff.

### More holes than Swiss cheese

If something has more holes than a Swiss cheese, it is incomplete, and lacks many parts.

### Scotch Mist

The phrase 'Scotch mist' is used humorously to refer to something that is hard to find or doesn't exist - something imagined.

### Slow boat to China

This idiom is used to describe something that is very slow and takes a long time.

### Spanish practices

Unauthorized working methods that benefit those who follow them are Spanish practices.

### Stars and stripes

The stars and stripes is the American flag.

### Too many chiefs and not enough Indians

When there are too many chiefs and not enough Indians, there are too many managers and not enough workers to work efficiently.

### Walk Spanish

If you walk someone Spanish, you physically force them to leave a place or discharge them.

### Young Turk

A Young Turk is a young person who is rebellious and difficult to control in a company, team or organisation.