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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/10/25 16:37

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An idiom is a peculiar way to express an opinion, an idea or a thought.

A proverb is a wise old saying or maxim which normally carries some truth, wisdom, good advice or motivation.

All's fair in love and war.

This idiom means where there are conflicts of interest, people are expected to act viciously.

And when it comes to love or war, any action taken is considered fair and just.

(If you have an idiom or a proverb that you like to share with others, please post it here.)

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/10/26 11:45

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Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder.

This means whether a thing is beautiful or not depends on the person who looks at it. Different people have different opinions.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/10/27 15:49

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Cut your coat according to your cloth.

(live within your income; don't over estimate your own ability and don't be too ambitious in your plans.)

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/10/28 15:05

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All the rage

When something is all the rage, it is very popular or fashionable at the moment.

Buying high and selling higher is all the rage in the stock market now.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by TeeCS - 2007/10/28 15:37

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Cut your coat according to your cloth = Live within your mean

One of the first thing that I learnt from financial planning book written by Azizi Ali "Millionaires are from the other planet."

It works, though making me a bit kian siap.....heeeeee!

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Posted by Ben - 2007/10/29 15:14

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Discretion is the better part of valour.

This means there is no point in taking unnecessary risks.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/10/30 14:39

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Virtue is its own reward.

This means behaving virtuously should give enough satisfaction for one not to expect any further reward.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/10/31 14:08

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Ingat sebelum kena.  
Jimat sebelum habis.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/11/01 15:24

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Hati orang bodoh di mulutnya; lidah orang yang cerdik di belakang hatinya.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/11/02 15:27

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The child is father of the man.

The experiences of childhood determine a person's character as an adult.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/11/03 15:00

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Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones (those who are themselves not free from blame should not find fault with others).

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/11/04 14:44

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Golden handshake

a sum of money (usually large) given to a senior member of a company when he leaves.

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Posted by Ben - 2007/11/05 21:40

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World is your oyster

When the world is your oyster, you are getting everything you want from life.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/11/06 14:40

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fish in troubled waters

try to gain advantages for oneself from a disturbed state of affairs.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/11/07 14:17

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To be unable to see the wood for the trees

means to be unable to get a clear view of the whole because of too many details.

If you put in too many indicators in your chart you won't be able to see the wood for the trees.

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Give the devil his due

Be just and fair-minded , even to the one who does not deserve much or who is unfriendly or unfair; we should punish a person according to his wrongdoings.

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A miss is as good as a mile.

When you failed to succeed, it means you failed to succeed. Whether the margin of failure is small or big, the result is still the same.

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Posted by Ben - 2007/11/10 19:09

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Forbidden fruit is the sweetest.

What you are not supposed to have is most desirable.

This proverb originated from the Christian bible. Adam and Eve ate the "Forbidden Fruit" which tasted very sweet. They were then banished from the Garden of Eden.

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A good conscience is a soft pillow.

Anyone who does no evil and thinks no evil can sleep well at night.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

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A rising tide lifts all boats.

This idiom means that when the economy is doing well, everybody will benefit from it. It was coined by John F Kennedy.

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red herring

something intended to divert attention from the real problem or matter at hand; a misleading clue.

red herring prospectus

a tentative prospectus circulated by the underwriters of a new issue of stocks or bonds that is pending approval; so called because the front cover of such a prospectus must carry a special notice printed in red.

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gild the lily

to add unnecessary ornamentation, a special feature, etc., in an attempt to improve something that is already complete, satisfactory, or ideal.

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fool's paradise

means a state of enjoyment based on false beliefs or hope.

If you live in a fool's paradise, you are in a state of illusory happiness.

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Experience is the best teacher.

The best way to learn a job is to do it.

Experience is an expensive school. Unfortunately, most people will learn from no other.

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play fast and loose

means to act in an irresponsible or inconsiderate manner, especially to employ deception to gain one's ends.

If you play fast and loose in the stock market, you are likely to lose money and cause unhappiness to others as well.

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close but no cigar

At one time slot machines gave out cigars as prizes.

If someone says, "You are close but no cigar", it means you are near to success but you have not attained it.

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turn over a new leaf

means to begin anew or make a fresh start.

If you have been losing money in the stock market, you should take stock of your ability and then turn over a new leaf.

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take the bulls by the horns

to do something difficult in a determined and confident way

As soon as the exaggerated uptrend line is breached, you must take the bulls by the horns and locked in your profits or cut your losses immediately.

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a red-letter day

a day that is very important or very special

In candlestick charting, the formation of a

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hammer, after a sharp decline, is likely to be a red-letter day, and signal a reversal of trend.

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over the moon

extremely pleased and happy

He was over the moon when he found that his strategy worked.

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reach for the stars

to achieve something that is very difficult

When he tried to predict the top or bottom of the market by using technical analysis, he soon realized that it was as difficult as to reach for the stars.

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the frosting on the cake; or the icing on the cake

something added to enhance a thing or make it more desirable

Free warrants are the icing on the cake in the right issues.

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saved by the bell

(of a boxer) saved from a knockout by the ringing of a bell signaling the end of a round;  
(of any person) spared from anticipated trouble by some extraneous event

In the 17th century, a guard at Windsor Castle was accused of falling asleep and sentenced to be executed. He claimed that he was wrongly accused and insisted that he heard the church bell chimed 13 times at mid-night. The people there supported his claim and he was thus saved by the bell.

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pay someone back in his or her own coin

to reciprocate or behave toward in a like way, esp. in amicably; retaliate

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You will be paid in your own coin someday if you treat people badly.

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keep an eye on

to watch over attentively

If you want to day trade, keep an eye on the charts.

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above water

out of embarrassment or trouble, esp. of a financial nature.

To keep yourself above water, make sure you have enough cash to lose should the market go against you.

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the best of both worlds

If you get the best of both worlds, you get all the benefits.

By applying fundamental analysis and technical analysis, he was able to get the best of both worlds when he invested in the stock market.

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babe in the woods

an innocent, unsuspecting person, esp. one likely to be victimized by others

In the stock market, some highly informed people are mere babes in the woods.

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Posted by Ben - 2007/12/01 21:02

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with a grain of salt

with reserve or allowance; with an attitude of skepticism

Whatever tips you get, always take them with a grain of salt.

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rhyme or reason

logic,sense, or plan

Buying and selling in the stock market without rhyme or reason is a sure way to ruin.

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be in the limelight; steal the limelight

to receive attention and interest from public

The stock stole the limelight when its share price jumped 300% in 3 days.

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the promised land

a place that offers a lot of good opportunities

Many foreigners have identified Malaysia as the promised land.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/12/06 16:32

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A mosquito gets slapped because it bites and irritates people. (Chinese proverb)

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

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Fair exchange is no robbery

A contract is fair as long as both the parties understand and agree to the conditions willingly; after a deal is closed neither side can turn around and say that he was unfairly treated.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/12/09 22:30

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An idle brain is the devil's workshop.

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One who has nothing to do will be tempted to do many mischievous acts.

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## Help Needed !!!

Posted by Ehtesham - 2007/12/12 05:04

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Hi Ben ! Good to write you. I am new to this forum. Recently i am working on TA. But problem is i can not import my data into Amibroker from Excel Sheet. I know i can do it from web but i want to do it from my excel pre-saved data.Can you please help me how to do that. I need it badly. Thanks

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Ehtesham,

You posted your problem in the wrong thread.

Sorry, I am not good in the problem you are having. I suggest you start a new thread or post at the Chat Box and request other members to help you out.

Regards.

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light at the end of the tunnel

a prospect of success, relief, or redemption

Do not be demoralized and give up when unforeseen problems crop up. Work intelligently, and you will eventually see the light at the end of the tunnel.

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Handsome is as handsome does.

How one acts is more important than how one looks.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2007/12/16 18:46

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Fear the person who fears you.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

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fight fire with fire

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use the same tactics as those used by your opponents

There are times when you have to fight fire with fire to win the competition.

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Every man is the architect of his own future.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

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Going beyond is as bad as falling short.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2008/01/01 00:26

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Control your emotions, or they will control you.

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Ben,

No offense, but I think many people here is looking up at me. Since you got so many years experience in share, I just want to know or maybe a request that you recommend us a stock to help us make money instead of giving us lecture. Sorry to say but I have read many books in my collection, and I have seen many of your posting and advise appear in the book. Maybe the author copy you or otherwise. Nevertheless, I hope you can help us make some real money by telling us what stock you think is worth buying and can go up.

No offense. Peace.

Dare to recommend, dare to admit mistake, dare to take criticism, dare to make good money.

Sincerely,

EDmund Tan at [www.winbursa.blogspot.com](http://www.winbursa.blogspot.com)

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Every stock can be a winning stock if you buy it and sell it at the right time. If you want to make money, you have to do your own homework. Don't expect others to spoon feed you.

My style may not be the same as your style because financial and emotionally we are different. What is good for the gander may not be good for the goose.

For 2008, one stock that I like is PPerdana which I honestly think can turn out to be profitable if you buy it and keep it for investment. At the time of writing, the stock is selling at 3.70. Actually, I bought some this morning at this price. If you wish to follow me, you do so at your own risk absolutely.

I am not a trader; I am not good at trading. If you want to make fast and easy money, go to those who like to recommend stocks with their guarantees. However, do remember that these people will just vanish the moment their recommendations turn sour. When you laugh, they will laugh with you, but when you cry, you cry alone.

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Clothes may disguise a man but his voice and style will give him away.

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2008/02/07 22:31

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A friend in need is a friend indeed.

Most people understand this proverb to mean that someone who helps you when you need help is a true friend.

If you look at the wordings closely, it can also be interpreted as: Someone who needs help will be very friendly so that he can get what he wants.

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Posted by ILai SM - 2008/02/11 20:38

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Hi Ben,

It has been a while since i last wrote. Hope you are still working on your book project so that we can all benefit from your experience and insights. I remember you were sharing that patience is very important and all the more so for this volatile period. One need not trade every day or on every dip. Hope your plans to relocate is still on.

Happy lunar new year to you and your family.

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Posted by Ben - 2008/02/12 23:32

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Hi ILai,

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Happy New Year to you and your family as well.

Regarding the book, I was just joking when I said about writing one. Actually, if you will compile selectively all that I have written at Wisdom Wise and here, you should have the book already. Haven't given up the idea completely, though; just do not have the passion at this moment.

Yes, patience will determine whether you make or break. Never take action for the sake of action.

"Patience is power; with time and patience, the mulberry leaves become a satin dress."

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Posted by Ben - 2008/03/20 16:28

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The drum makes so much noise because it is empty.

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Absent Without Leave (AWOL)

Not present without permission

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2008/04/02 00:12

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The man who makes no mistakes usually does not make anything.

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

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I hear and I forget

I see and I remember

I do and I understand (Chinese proverb)

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### An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2008/09/13 14:36

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read between the lines:

to understand the unexpressed but implied meaning of something said or written.

What he says seems positive, but if you know how to read between the lines, the message is actually negative.

"You will be most fortunate if you can get this person to work for you."

Can you see the hidden message in the above statement?

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## An idiom or Proverb a day

Posted by Ben - 2008/09/16 02:32

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Absolute power corrupts absolutely.

Unlimited power is apt to corrupt the minds of those that possess it.

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