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### **EXERCISE -5**

#### **Complete the sentences with the correct idiom.**

- 1. After working in a big company for some years, he decided that he had had enough of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and retired to enjoy a more peaceful life.
- 2. You can try to get him to change his mind, but you'll find him \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. The former leader of the party is keeping \_\_\_\_\_\_ so that attention can be fully focused on the current leader.
- 4. Whether these controls will really reduce violent crime is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. Let's finish discussing the theoretical aspects and get on with \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. It really \_\_\_\_\_\_ for her to punish the recalcitrant student, but she had no choice.
- 7. When the management \_\_\_\_\_\_ the intended strike, they sacked the ringleader.
- 8. When their enemy suddenly held out an olive branch, they immediately
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_ is counter-productive; let's get back to the main issue.
- 10. They \_\_\_\_\_ by starting to operate their business before official permission had been granted.

#### **ANSWERS:**

- 1. After working in a big company for some years, he decided that he had had enough of **the rat race** and retired to enjoy a more peaceful life.
- 2. You can try to get him to change his mind, but you'll find him a hard **nut to crack**.
- 3. The former leader of the party is keeping **a low profile** so that attention can be fully focused on the current leader.
- 4. Whether these controls will really reduce violent crime is **a moot point**.
- 5. Let's finish discussing the theoretical aspects and get on with **the nuts and bolts**.
- 6. It really **went against the grain** for her to punish the recalcitrant student, but she had no choice.
- 7. When the management **got wind of** the intended strike, they sacked the ringleader.
- 8. When their enemy suddenly held out an olive branch, they immediately **smelled a rat**.
- 9. **Splitting hairs** is counter-productive; let's get back to the main issue.
- 10. They **jumped the gun** by starting to operate their business before official permission had been granted.