

inneresting **idioms** two easy /1-2/

proper job MaryAnn has just got a **proper** job and her parents are going to buy her a car. This is giving Patrick some **food for thought** and he is **wondering** how he too **might** improve his life.

the clerk When the clerk asked me to pay I was so high I could **barely** count my arms, **let alone** count the change out of \$20. I thought about it for a few seconds, **weighing the pros and cons of trying** to give him his change **stoned**. If I ran off, I'd **get to keep** the **extra** few bucks. But I'd get fired. Or worse, this guy might call the cops on me. **Anyway, I figured I'd better** try to make some change.

communicating You **are** twenty minutes late. This is your group, **I've been making small talk** with these people for the last twenty minutes. You know **what it's like having** a conversation with people who have a problem with communicating, it **makes you want to** rip off your ears.

the supervisor **Despite** all that good stuff, that job just wasn't what **I'd hoped for**. I **couldn't take any more of** that **button-down** world. The **last straw** came when my **supervisor** started **hassling me about** a stain on my shirt. I told him no one noticed it **but** him. He said that was **enough, as far as he was concerned**. I told him that as far as I was concerned, he could **stuff** the shirt and the job.