



GOT YOUR ENGLISH?

11 Lesser-Known English Idioms

Pie in the sky - something that you hope will happen but is very unlikely to, wishful thinking.

Chew the fat - having a friendly conversation, gossiping.

The tail wagging the dog - when a significant force/individual is being controlled by a lesser one.

(Strictly) for the birds - something meaningless and worthless; not to be taken seriously.

Buy the farm - die.



Send/bring/carry owls to Athens - doing something that is pointless or unnecessary.

Throw the baby out with the bathwater - losing valuable ideas or items while trying to eliminate unwanted ones.



Upset the apple cart - to obstruct or sabotage; mess up

Get someone's goat - to greatly irritate someone or to cause anger.

Turn turtle - when something flips or turns upside down.



All mouth and no trousers - people who speak extensively but don't back up their words with actions.

