not thought through	free	trying to be sneaky	angry
relax	capable of doing it	say its someone else's fault	joking
get acquainted	greasy restaurant	jealous	ill
understand someone else	understand fully	from bad to worse	comfortable
in trouble	at the last minute	took credit for my work	stop right now

tongue in cheek	break the ice	ate at a greasy spoon	green with envy
white as a sheet	walked a mile in their shoes	got the picture	from the frying pan to the fire
comfortable as an old shoe	in hot water	the eleventh hour	stole my thunder
half baked	on the house	pull a fast one	hit the roof
cold turkey	let your hair down	cut the mustard	pass the buck



Directions:

- 1. Please cut the green cards apart.
- 2. The definition cards are green. The idiom cards are blue.
- 3. Leaving the blue sheet all in one piece, take each of the definition cards and place it on top of the idiom that represents this definition.

Idioms are groups of words which mean something that can't be understood by just reading the words. For example, an idiom is "It's raining cats and dogs." Obviously, rain is NOT cats and dogs. What this idiom means is that it is really raining hard. Another example would be an invitation to a party which asks you to "Bring a White Elephant." Needless to say, no one wants a real elephant, gray or white, at a party. This idiom means to bring a gift that no one would really want, a prank gift.

Understanding what idioms mean is an important part of being able to read some books.

Answer Key

tongue in cheek	joking	
break the ice	get acquainted	
ate at a greasy spoon	greasy restaurant	
green with envy	jealous	
white as a sheet	ill	
walked a mile in their shoes	understand someone else	
got the picture	understand fully	
from the frying pan to the fire	from bad to worse	
comfortable as an old shoe	comfortable	
in hot water	in trouble	
the eleventh hour	at the last minute	
stole my thunder	took credit for my work	
half-baked	not thought through	
on the house	free	
pull a fast one	trying to be sneaky	
hit the roof	angry	
cold turkey	stop right now	
let your hair down	relax	
cut the mustard	capable of doing it	
pass the buck	say its someone else's fault	