

Fun with English Idioms

Music

Wonderland

ring a bell

提醒

to stir something in one's memory

Example: His face rings a bell even though his name does not sound familiar.

drum something into someone's head

反復地向某人灌輸

to make someone learn something by repeating it many times

Example: Mary is weak in Mathematics and tends to forget, so her teacher has to drum the formulas into her head.

music to one's ears

動聽之話

something pleasing to hear about

Example: The news of my promotion is music to my ears and it keeps me upbeat for the rest of the day.

call the tune

下結論

to make important decisions

Example: After hours of discussion, the director finally called the tune.

blow your own trumpet

自吹自擂

to tell others how successful one is; to boost oneself

Example: Despite his incapability, John always blows his own trumpet to get attention.

face the music

勇於承擔後果

to accept punishment for one's action

Example: Joe had to face the music as his careless decision had caused a great loss to the company.

