

## Nature Idioms – Worksheet

On cloud nine - Over the moon - A sight for sore eyes  
A breath of fresh air - Good nature - Save for a rainy day - The coast is clear

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**Exercise 1** Choose the correct idiom to complete each sentence.

1. After receiving her university offer, she was **over the moon**
2. Seeing my family after a long semester was \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Our new teacher has a \_\_\_\_\_; his classes are relaxed and positive.
4. When I passed the last exam I felt \_\_\_\_\_.
5. He tries to \_\_\_\_\_ in case he needs money later.
6. When the manager left the office, we knew \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The short holiday was a \_\_\_\_\_ after months of stress.

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**Exercise 2** Complete each sentence with the correct idiom. Change the verb form if needed.

1. When the project finally ended, everyone felt **on cloud nine**.
2. She has always been known for her \_\_\_\_\_, even under pressure.
3. After weeks of bad news, the positive announcement was \_\_\_\_\_.
4. They waited until \_\_\_\_\_ before leaving the building.
5. He was \_\_\_\_\_ when he found out he passed all his exams.
6. Many students learn to \_\_\_\_\_ once they start managing their own money.
7. Seeing a familiar face in a new country can be \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Exercise 3** Read each situation and write the **best idiom** from the 7 nature idioms.

1. You finish a difficult assignment and feel extremely happy.
2. A friendly new classmate joins your study group and changes the mood.
3. You put money aside every month in case of future problems.
4. You see your best friend waiting for you after a long, stressful day.
5. Someone is kind and polite.
6. You wait until your parents leave the room before turning on loud music.
7. After months of hard work, you finally receive very good news.

e.g. Answer 1 - on cloud nine (or over the moon).

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**Bonus Advanced Exercise** Rewrite each sentence using the idiom in brackets. Do not change the meaning.

1. She felt extremely happy when she received the scholarship. (On cloud nine)
2. He was very happy and excited about the exam results. (Over the moon)
3. After hours of studying alone, seeing a familiar face made me very happy. (A sight for sore eyes)
4. The new schedule improved the situation and reduced stress for everyone. (A breath of fresh air)
5. She is naturally kind and friendly to others. (Good nature)
6. He keeps some money for future problems. (Save for a rainy day)
7. When the supervisor left the office, it was safe for them to talk freely. (The coast is clear)

## Answer Key

### Exercise 1

1. over the moon
2. a sight for sore eyes
3. a good nature
4. on cloud nine
5. save for a rainy day
6. the coast is clear
7. a breath of fresh air

### Exercise 2

1. on cloud nine
2. good nature
3. a breath of fresh air
4. the coast was clear
5. over the moon
6. save for a rainy day
7. a sight for sore eyes

### Exercise 3

(These are the best matches, but other answers may be acceptable if the meaning is ok)

1. on cloud nine (or over the moon\_
2. a breath of fresh air
3. save for a rainy day
4. a sight for sore eyes
5. good nature
6. the coast is clear
7. over the moon (or on cloud nine)

### Bonus Exercise – Example sentences

(Other answers are acceptable as these are just examples.)

1. She was on cloud nine when she received the scholarship.
2. He was over the moon about the exam results.
3. After hours of studying alone, seeing a familiar face was a sight for sore eyes.
4. The new schedule was a breath of fresh air for everyone.
5. She has a good nature.
6. He saves for a rainy day.
7. When the supervisor left the office, the coast was clear.