Creative Writing, Idiom Invention & Research Task.



ONCE IN A BLUE MOON

Part 1: Invent Your Own Idiom

Create a new idiom based on a natural event. Think about something rare, funny, or dramatic. Use your imagination!

Examples:

Once in a green eclipse — something mysterious
As fast as a lightning llama — very fast
As quiet as a sleeping volcano — very quiet
As confused as a chicken in a library — very confused

Task:

Write your idiom. Explain what it means. Use it in a sentence.

Part 2: Short Story or Dialogue

Write a short story (6–10 sentences) or a dialogue between two characters. Use your invented idiom at least once. Make it funny, surprising, or emotional.

Example Dialogue: Maya: Did you just clean your room?

Leo: Yep.

Maya: Wow. That's like... once in a green eclipse. **Leo**: I know. I even found my missing sock from 2022.

Cultural Comparison & Research Task

Part 3: Idioms Around the World

Read these idioms from different cultures. What do they mean? What do they have in common with "once in a blue moon"?

Idiom	Language/Culture	Meaning
When pigs fly	English	Something that will never happen
To see a white crow	Russian	To witness something very rare
Like finding a chicken with teeth	French	Extremely rare or impossible
Once every death of a pope	Spanish	Very infrequent
To see a unicorn in the forest	Korean	A rare or magical event

Part 4: Mini Research Task — Rare Idioms

Work in pairs or small groups. Choose a country or language and research an idiom that means "rare" or "unusual." Use online sources, ask family, or check with your teacher.

Task:

Find the idiom (in English or original language).

Translate it and explain the meaning.

Find out when people use it.

Prepare a short presentation or poster.

Part 5: Presentation Prep

Prepare to present your idiom to the class. Include:

- The idiom (in the original language and English)
- · Meaning and usage
- A funny or surprising example
- A visual (drawing, photo, or symbol)