

Proverbs and idioms

Grade 5 Vocabulary Worksheet

Beside each sentence, write **I** if it is an idiom and **P** if it is a proverb.

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_____ Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

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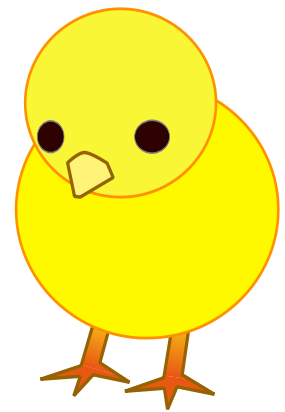
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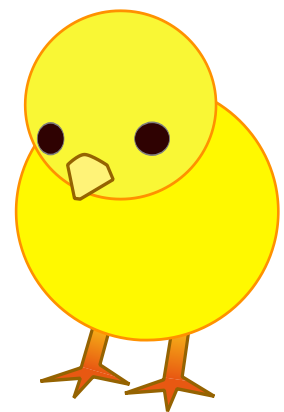
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