

Some Business Idiomatic Expressions

Put in a nutshell

- To say something in a very short and clear way.

Example: In a nutshell, the meeting was about saving money.

Hear on the grapevine

- To hear news or information informally, not officially.

Example: I heard on the grapevine that she is leaving her job.

Talk at cross purposes

To misunderstand each other because people are talking about different things.

Example: We were talking at cross purposes and didn't realize it.

Get the wrong end of the stick

- To misunderstand a situation or idea.

Example: You got the wrong end of the stick. I wasn't angry.

Put you in the picture

- To give someone all the important information about a situation.

Example: Let me put you in the picture about what happened yesterday.

Make head and tail of something

- To understand something confusing or complicated.

Example: I can't make head or tail of these instructions.

Beat about the bush

To avoid saying something directly.

Example: Stop beating about the bush and tell me the truth.