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Idioms to talk about ...

- 1 Health
- 2 Happiness and sadness
- 3 Anger
- 4 Knowing and understanding
- 5 Experience and perception
- 6 Success and failure
- 7 Having problems
- 8 Dealing with problems
- 9 Power and authority
- 10 Structuring and talking about arguments
- 11 Conversational responses
- 12 Praise and criticism
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- 28 Communication 2: getting the message across
- 29 Life and experience: proverbs
- 30 Memory

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- 32 Time 2: clocks and frequency
- 33 The elements
- 34 Colour
- 35 Games and sport
- 36 Animals 1: describing people
- 37 Animals 2: describing situations
- 38 Weapons and war

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42 Nature
43 Boats and sailing
44 Science, technology and machines

Idioms using these keywords:

45 Finger, thumb, hand
46 Foot, heel, toe
47 Bones, shoulder, arm, leg
48 Head
49 Face, hair, neck, chest
50 Eyes
51 Ear, lips, mouth, nose, teeth, tongue
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