

Advanced 1- Nothing to write home about

Class objective: I will be able to understand the idiom and use it appropriately.

Concept A- Meaning

The phrase to write home about is used predicatively to mean to boast of, to get excited about. It usually appears in negative contexts, especially in nothing to write home about, denoting something that is unremarkable or mediocre.

-: not very good or appealing : ordinary

The food at that restaurant is nothing to write home about.

-Not especially impressive, remarkable, or noteworthy; rather dull, mediocre, uninteresting, or unimportant.

It gets good reviews, but the new sushi restaurant is really nothing to write home about.

His performance has been nothing to write home about so far. To be honest, we were expecting much more out of him when we recruited him.

Concept B: Understanding the idiom through its use in various kinds of conversations/articles:

1.

A Did you do anything exciting over the weekend?

B Well, we went to the theatre on Saturday night.

A Oh I bet that was nice. What did you see?

B It was the new play with Maggie Smith.

A Oh yes. Did you enjoy it?

B Well, I always like Maggie Smith, of course. But the play itself isn't very good.

A What didn't you like about it?

B Oh - the ending was poor - and, in fact, the whole plot was a bit silly. You couldn't really believe in it.

A You enjoyed Maggie Smith though.

B Oh yes. But apart from her, it was nothing to write home about.

The plot left a lot to be desired.

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- 3. Empathetic

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- 2. A leader should be someone who is always confident and never uncertain.
- 3. A leader should be someone who is always strong and never weak.

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- 1. A leader should be someone who is naturally born to lead, but they can also be learned, and they can also be taught, and they can also be trained.

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