

## Kannada idioms 1

**Class objective:** I will be able to learn new idioms in Kannada.

### **Concept A: Meaning:**

An idiom is a phrase that takes on a symbolic meaning when certain words are combined, which differ from the literal meaning of each word.

#### Types of idioms

##### 1. Pure idioms

Pure idioms are expressions whose original meaning is lost so that there is no possible way to analyze a sentence logically to understand its meaning.

##### 2. Binomial idioms

Binomial idioms are idioms that combine two parts that work together or opposite to form a saying.

##### 3. Partial idioms

The partial idiom consists of the literal part and the non-real part. For example, “a great tempest broke out in his eyes.” This expression refers to the cruel appearance of a person's face, which can usually be seen in the size of his eyes.

##### 4. Prepositional idioms

Prepositional idioms are expressions that contain prepositional verbs and adverbs or an adverb to form an abstract meaning. These types of expressions need to be put into a sentence and cannot be used alone (they are not ‘solid compound proverbs’).

##### 5. Proverbs

Proverbs are proverbs that convey universal truths or wise counsel. They are usually given to intelligent people or contain moral principles that are passed down from generation to generation. Many of our proverbs are based on ancient religious or philosophical texts.

#### Importance of idioms:

Idioms are especially helpful because they give you a new, clever way of expressing yourself. Instead of saying ‘You are right’, you can say ‘You hit the nail on the head’, which is a complex and exciting expression.

#### Examples:

Laxman Line

Leave the water still

Military image

Yamapasha

Like a peeled banana

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