Idioms in Context

Separate free answer sheet 1

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> Check the meaning and the grammar. Models are examples; accept other accurate answers where the task is open.

1. (a) easy.
A piece of cake means something very easy.

2. (b) unwell.
Under the weather means feeling slightly ill.

3. (b) feel less shy.
Break the ice means make people more relaxed with one another.

4. spill the beans
Spill the beans means reveal a secret.

5. once in a blue moon
This means very rarely.

6. costs an arm and a leg
This means costs a great deal of money.

7. I was on cloud nine after winning the prize.
This idiom means extremely happy.

8. We missed the boat because we applied too late.
Miss the boat means lose an opportunity.

9. I must hit the books tonight.
Hit the books means study seriously.

10. Losing that job was a blessing in disguise because it led to a better one.
Something that seems bad at first has a good result.