

## LIST OF IDIOMS WITH THE VERB COME

idiom	meaning	example
come apart at the seams	fall to pieces, stop functioning properly	Our marriage is coming apart at the seams, I think we're heading for divorce.
come from behind	win/succeed after being in a losing position	The youngster is coming from behind. Can he take the champion's crown?
come into bloom	start to produce flowers	You need to wait a few more months. These flowers don't come into bloom until July.
come into fashion	become fashionable	I'm going to keep all my old clothes. One day they'll come back into fashion.
come of age	become an adult, reach 18 years old	I can't believe my baby will be coming of age next week. Where did the time go?
come out swinging	go immediately of the offensive	The young boxer came out swinging and knocked out his opponent in 30 seconds.
come out/up smelling of roses	still have a good reputation despite being involved in something negative	It was Connor's idea to rob the safe, but he still comes out smelling of roses.
come rain or shine	no matter what the weather is, something will still happen	The match will be on tomorrow come rain or shine.
come to a head	a situation reaches a climax	Tensions came to a head in the town and violence erupted.
come to blows	start arguing/fighting after a disagreement	It all came to blows when Christine found out who keyed her car.
come up short	insufficient, lacking what you need, unsuccessful	I keep coming up short on auditions, maybe I should quit singing.
come/crawl out of the woodwork	appear suddenly after being hidden for a long time	10,000 fans came out of the woodwork when we reached the final.
don't/doesn't come cheap	good quality but expensive	I send my kids to private school. It doesn't come cheap, but the school is excellent.
till the cows come home	for a very long time	Don't ever start an argument with Will. He can argue till the cows come home.
wheel come/fall off	something suddenly/unexpectedly fails	We were 3-0 up, then the wheel came off.

