

LIST OF IDIOMS WITH THE VERB LEARN

idiom	meaning	example
learn off by heart	memorise	I need to learn my lines off by heart by Tuesday. We are having a dress rehearsal.
learn one's lesson	learn through an unhappy/bad/painful experience	The dog has learnt his lesson. He won't pick a fight with a hedgehog again.
learn the hard way	learn by trying/experiences and making mistakes	Having triplets is challenging. I learnt the hard way having kids is like.
learn the ropes	learn the basic principles of a particular job/task/activity	I've been learning the ropes from my dad, he's a good teacher.
learn to live with something	accept and adapt to something unpleasant	I've learnt to live with my husband's snoring because I love him.
learning curve	the process of progressing, gaining experience and learning from mistakes	Don't be too hard on the apprentice, she's at the beginning of a big learning curve.
live and learn	someone has survived and learnt from a bad/unpleasant experience	I didn't know I needed a heater for my tropical fish, you live and learn.

