

SKATING IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS

idiom	meaning	example
as cold as ice	unfriendly or very cold	Your hands are as cold as ice, put your gloves on.
break the ice	do something to reduce tension/awkwardness	Ronnie tried to break the ice with a joke but ended up offending everyone.
cheapskate	a person who doesn't like spending money	Jack is a cheapskate; he only ever buys reduced food.
get one's skates on	hurry up, be quick, stop procrastinating	Tell your brother to get his skates on. If he's late again, he'll be punished.
put something on ice	delay/postpone	I've put my house move on ice. I need to save more money so I can buy my dream home.
sell ice to the Eskimos	someone who is very persuasive	Paul managed to get them to buy an extra 100 units. He could sell ice to the Eskimos.
skate on thin ice	in a risky situation	You had your license taken away yet you're still driving? You're skating on thin ice.

