

## THUMB IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS

idiom	meaning	example
all fingers and thumbs	a clumsy person	Don't pass the ball to Hannah, she's all fingers and thumbs.
rule of thumb	a basic rule that isn't always followed	A rule of thumb is 300 grams per person.
stick out like a sore thumb	be very obvious	Don't wear fancy dress costume to a black-tie event. You'll stick out like a sore thumb.
thumbs down	a sign of disapproval/rejection	The manager gave the thumbs down to my new marketing idea.
thumbs up	a gesture of approval	My mum gave me the thumbs up when she met my hunky boyfriend.
twiddle one's thumbs	be bored/have nothing to do	It poured down all weekend, so I just stayed in and twiddled my thumbs.
under the thumb	under the complete control of another person	My boss is completely under my thumb. if I ask for a pay rise, I'll get one.

