

# BBC Learning English

## The Teacher

### *Pie idioms*



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In this episode, **The Teacher** introduces you to three idiomatic phrases connected with pies.

1. **It's as easy as pie**
  2. **Pie-eyed**
  3. **To have a finger in many pies**
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Hello, I'm a very interesting and intelligent man. And today this pie and I are getting together to teach you some English idioms

I bet you've never been taught by a pie before!

Now you're probably thinking 'It's very difficult to learn anything from a pie', but you're wrong.

**It's as easy as pie.**

In English, if something is very easy, we can say 'it's as easy as pie'.

It's as easy as pie. Oh, excuse me. I really need a drink after all that pie.

Ahh!

Ah, I think I've had enough actually, thank you.

In fact, I'm completely **pie-eyed**.

In English, if someone is very drunk, we can say he's pie-eyed.

**Pie-eyed.** I think I need a little sleep.

Pies. Many pies.

Did I tell you my boss is threatening to fire me because I'm too weird?

But I don't really care because I've got all my other jobs. On Monday I'm a fire eater, on Tuesdays I'm a brain surgeon, on Wednesdays I'm a clown, on Thursdays I'm an astronaut and on Fridays I'm... a traffic warden.

I've got my fingers in many pies.

In English, if a person has their finger in many pies it means they are involved in lots of different activities.

**To have a finger in many pies.**