

EXERCISE 18-2 Standard idioms

Edit the following sentences to eliminate errors in the use of idioms. If a sentence is correct, write “correct” after it. Example:

We agreed to abide ^{by} ~~with~~ the decision of the judge.

- a. Queen Anne was so angry at Sarah Churchill that she refused to see her again.
- b. Prior to the Russians’ launching of *Sputnik*, *-nik* was not an English suffix.
- c. The parade moved off of the street and onto the beach.
- d. For the frightened refugees, the dangerous trek across the mountains was preferable than life in a war zone.
- e. What type of a wedding are you planning?
 1. Be sure and report on the danger of releasing genetically engineered bacteria into the atmosphere.
 2. Why do you assume that embezzling bank assets is so different than robbing the bank?
 3. Most of the class agreed to Sylvia’s view that domestic terrorism is a very dangerous problem.
 4. I refuse to abide by a decision I had no part in making.
 5. Andrea intends on joining the Peace Corps after graduation.