Unit 10

Lesson 17

Making sentences using phrases:

- **Apple of one’s eye**
  Someone who is very precious
  It is surprising that even certain objects are treated as apple of one’s eye.

- **At Logger heads**
  To fight with each other over certain issue
  Geetha and sita were at logger heads during the debate in the class

- **At loss**
  Not able to manage
  Asha was at loss of words when she experienced a red carpet welcome

- **Apple of discord**
  Reason for misunderstanding
  Owning the father’s property turned out to be the apple of discord between the brothers.

- **Bolt from the blue**
  An unexpected happening
  The earthquake was like a bolt from the blue for the people living in heart of the city

- **Be-all and end-all**
  Completely considering something as the best
  Working in multinational company was a be-all and end-all of Ram’s life

- **Bounden duty**
  A duty that one is bound to do
  It’s the bounden duty of every child to take care of parents.

- **break the ice**
  break the silence and start the conversation
  in every conference the first activity is to break the ice among the participants.

- **Call a spade as spade**
  Be honest about one’s opinion; straight forward
People should have the courage to call a spade a spade

- **Enter a lion’s den**
  To be afraid to meet somebody
  Entering a principal’s office is like entering into a lion’s den for some people.

- **Fall on deaf ears**
  Not paying attention
  Sometimes lectures in classrooms seem to be falling on deaf ears

- **Feather one’s nest**
  Trying to gain something for them
  Some politicians are very keen in feathering their nest

- **Feather in one’s cap**
  Adding to one’s achievement
  Winning the match added a feather to the captain’s cap

- **Hit and run**
  Happen in moment and not paid attention to
  Hit and run accidents have become common in the metro cities

- **Ignorance is bliss**
  Not knowing anything keeps fools happy
  Sometimes ignorance is bliss when we are not aware of the bad things that are going to happen

- **In a nutshell**
  Explaining something briefly
  Sometimes teachers should be able to express certain concepts in a nutshell.

- **Last ditch**
  Last effort
  Shilpa made a last ditch to patch up the fight between her friends
• **Leave no stone unturned**
  To try all the possibilities
  The student should leave no stone unturned in his effort to be the topper

• **Lion’s share**
  Major share
  Shyam was lucky in getting the lion’s share from his father’s property

• **Midas touch**
  The golden touch or turning everything fruitful
  Some people are fortunate to experience the Midas touch

• **No love lost**
  Absence of true love
  In today’s mechanical world we find there is no love lost even among siblings

• **Pay through the nose**
  Pay heavily
  Today parents pay through their nose for their children’s education

• **So near yet so far**
  Seeming near but very far- deceptive
  In today’s world values seem to be near yet become so far

• **Gray mood**
  In unhappy mood
  We get into a gray mood often for no reason

• **Red carpet welcome**
  A royal or privileged treatment
  Some people are lucky to receive red carpet welcome wherever they go

• **On a shoe’s string**
  Low budget
  Nick was very unhappy that his birthday was celebrated on a shoe’s string budget

• **Stumbling block**
  Hindrance
  Laziness is stumbling block in one’s achievements
Take some one for a ride
Fooling somebody or deceiving somebody
My friend took me for a ride on April fool’s day.