

IDIOMS

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What is an idiom?

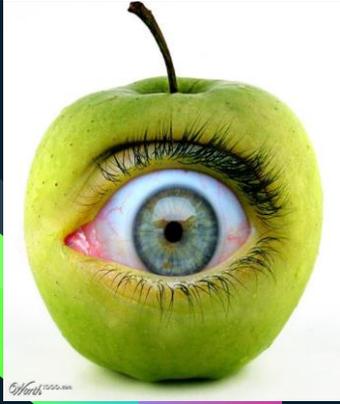
Phrase or group of words with a meaning that is not obvious from the individual words. Knowing and understanding all the words does not necessarily mean that you understand the idiom

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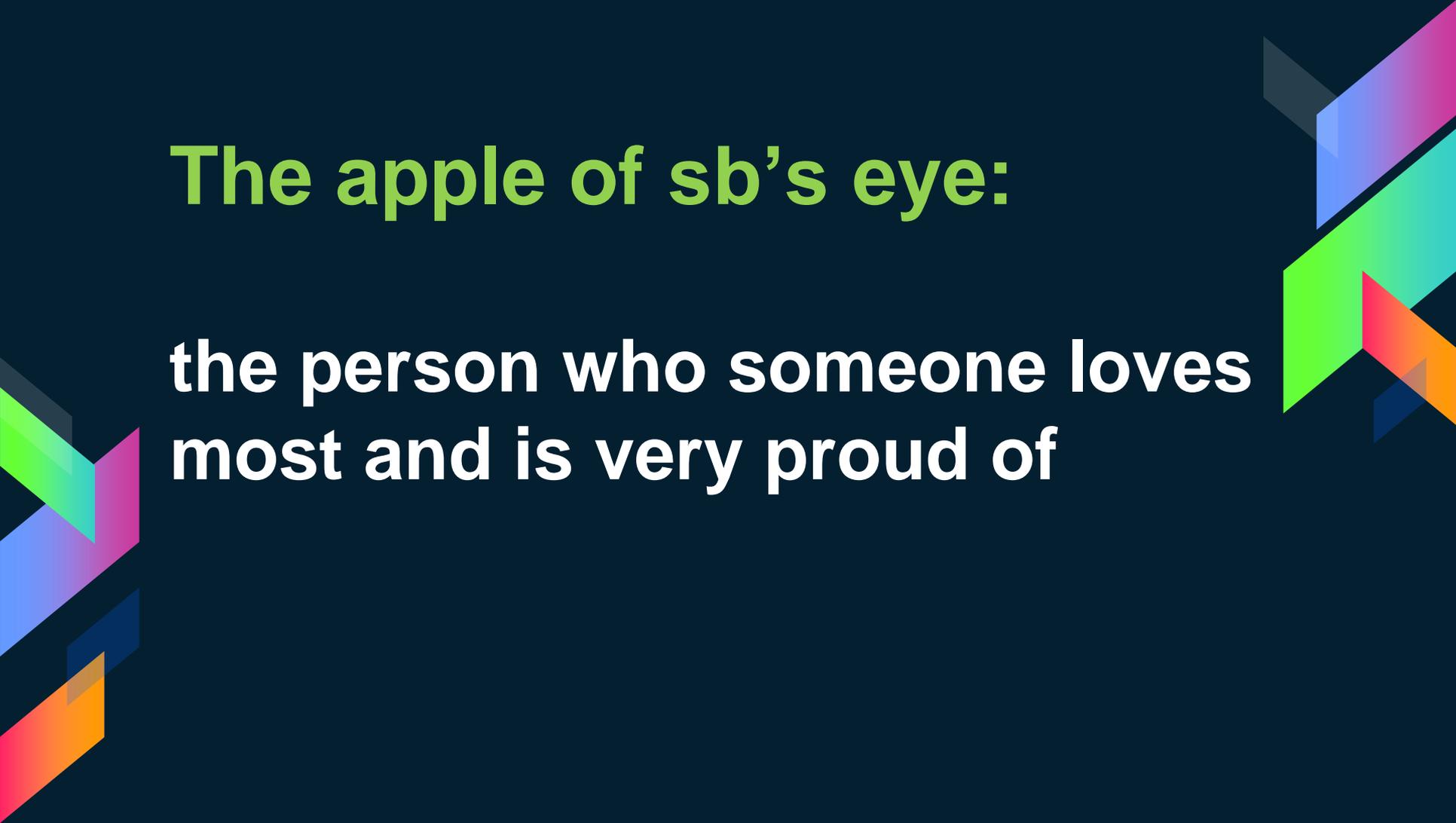
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**In groups, have a look
at the following
pictures and try to
identify and explain
the idiomatic
expression in each case**

A picture is worth a thousand words!





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The apple of sb's eye:

the person who someone loves most and is very proud of



To have butterflies in your stomach

the feeling when one is nervously anticipating something, or when they are around someone they are in love with.



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To catch sb red-handed

**to find someone in the act of
doing something wrong or
illegal**



Cold turkey

the period of extreme suffering that comes immediately after a person has stopped taking a drug on which they depend





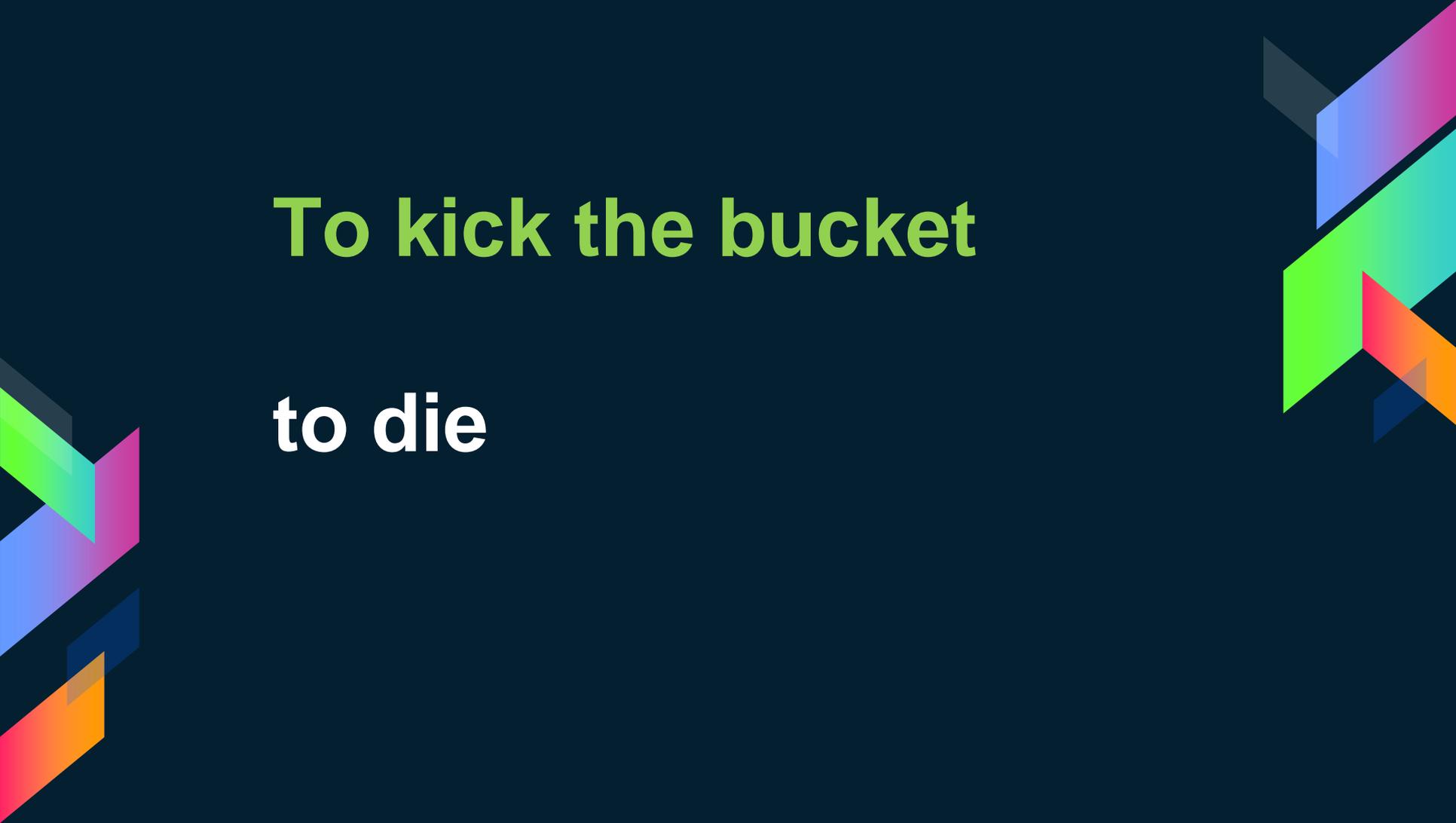
In a nutshell

using as few words as
possible





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To kick the bucket

to die



A little bird told me

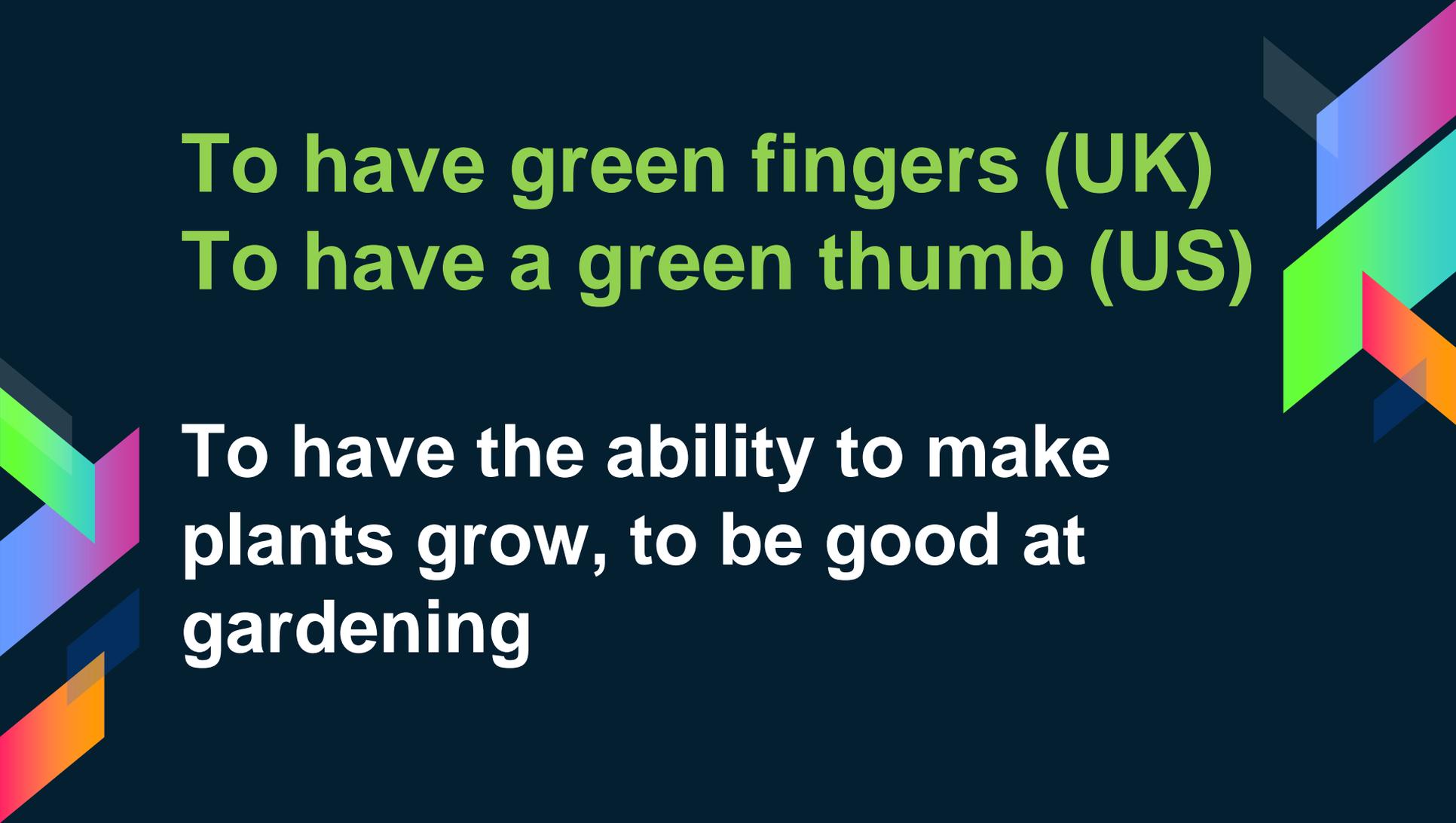
**said if you know who gave
you the information being
discussed but do not want to
say who it was**



To have a sweet tooth

If you have a sweet tooth, you like eating sweet foods, especially sweets and chocolate.





To have green fingers (UK)
To have a green thumb (US)

**To have the ability to make
plants grow, to be good at
gardening**



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To walk on eggs/eggshells

If you are walking on eggs/eggshells, you are being very careful not to offend someone or do anything wrong

Task

In small groups

Choose an idiom you know (you can use your phone or a dictionary) and prepare a one-minute presentation in which you must:

- ◆ Try to explain what it means and its origin
- ◆ Provide a context in which it could be used
- ◆ Discuss if there are any idiomatic expressions in Spanish that mean the same or could be used in a similar way

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