

War and Peace idioms

Today people around the world talk about the war in Ukraine.
Let's learn some idioms related to war and peace.

Read the idioms and guess their meaning. Then match the idiom with its meaning.

1. friendly fire
2. give peace a chance
3. caught in the crossfire
4. to drop a bombshell
5. lose the battle, but win the war
6. armed to teeth

7. fight fire with fire
8. beat the drums of war
9. when Greek meets Greek, then comes the tug of war
10. be an old warhorse

a) to be a veteran of some activity or profession (not necessarily the military) who has a wealth of experience.

b) to stoke pro-war sentiment.

c) one does not win easily in a match against an equal.

d) to suffer a minor defeat or failure, but achieve a larger, more important success or victory over time.

e) to announce something that changes a situation drastically and unexpectedly.

f) you fight something or someone using a very similar or the same way as they are fighting you.

g) to be trapped between two lines of enemy fire.

h) when a person is shot accidentally (or on purpose) by a person from his own army or an allied force.

i) to do your best to find a different way to create a solution, without violence or disrespect.

j) to be heavily armed with deadly weapons.



Answers:

1. h)
2. i)
3. g)
4. e)
5. d)
6. j)
7. f)
8. b)
9. c)
10. a)



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