

# NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT!

Circle the idiom in each sentence and write its meaning on the line.

1. Out of the blue, Ollie gets a call from his younger cousin, Kosher.

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2. Ollie and Kosher are like two peas in a pod.

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3. Kosher asks if Ollie will show him the ropes of the pickle business.

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4. Ollie agrees but explains that right now, he is feeling under the weather.

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5. Kosher agrees to wait two days before he hits the road.

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6. Ollie is over the moon with this great news.

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7. When Kosher arrives, he is all ears.

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8. Then all of a sudden, Kosher clams up.

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9. Ollie asks Kosher, "Has a cat got your tongue?"

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10. "I thought learning the business would be a walk in the park,"  
Kosher replies.

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11. Ollie assures Kosher that he will take him under his wing.

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12. Kosher admits that he has butterflies in his stomach.

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13. "Let's call it a day," Ollie offers.

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14. Kosher replies, "Now that's a stroke of genius!"

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## MEANINGS

becomes silent  
alike in looks and behavior  
very easy to do  
begins his journey  
without warning  
not feeling well  
extremely pleased  
teach all he knows  
a great idea  
nervous feelings  
help or guide  
a reason to not talk  
stop for the day  
listens carefully

## BONUS!

Copy the idiom and write its meaning.

She won the school spelling bee, and that's nothing to sneeze at!

# Answer Key

## “Nothing to Sneeze At!” (L.4.5b, L.5.5b)

### Circled Idiom

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2. two peas in a pod
3. show him the ropes
4. under the weather
5. hits the road
6. over the moon
7. is all ears
8. clams up
9. Has a cat got your tongue?
10. a walk in the park
11. take him under his wing
12. butterflies in his stomach
13. call it a day
14. a stoke of genius

### Meaning

- without warning  
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Bonus: nothing to sneeze at

It means something that is not unimportant, something that should be taken seriously.