ENGLISH PROVERBS

Appearances are deceptive
Appetite comes with eating
An apple a day keeps the doctor away
The apple never falls far from the tree
Attack is the best form of Defence
Bad news travels fast
As you bake, so shall you brew
A barking dog never bites
Better late than never
It is better to give than to receive
Big fish eat little fish
A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush
When the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch
Business before pleasure
Caesar's wife must be above suspicion
If the cap fits, wear it
When the cat's away, the mice will play
Children and fools tell the truth
A man is known by the company he keeps
It is no use crying over spilt milk
The customer is always right
Divide and rule
Dog does not eat a dog
The early bird catches the worm
Early to bed, early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise
Eat to live, not live to eat
The end justifies the means
To err is human to forgive divine
The fish always stinks from the head downwards
A friend in need is a friend indeed
Whom the gods love die young
The gods send nuts to those who have no teeth
The good die young
Good fences make good neighbours
One hand washes the other
Haste makes waste
Hawks will not pick out hawks' eyes
Honesty is the best policy
Idleness is the root of an evil
He laughs best who laughs last
Love and a cough cannot be hid
Love is blind
Lucky at cards, unlucky in love
As you make your bed, so you must lie upon it
It is never too late to learn
No money, no honey
One swallow does not make a summer
Time is a great healer
Time is money
It takes two to make a quarrel
Union is strength
Walls have ears
Well begun is half done
All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy
If you don't work you shan't eat
Some common and Useful Idiomatic phrases

to keep sth (something) under my hat = to keep a secret
to be hard of hearing = to be slightly deaf
to keep up with the Joneses = to copy others so as not to feel inferior
to sleep like a dog = to sleep deeply and continuously
as drunk as a lord = very drunk
Don't cry over spilt milk = don't waste time regretting mistakes of the past
once in a blue moon = very rarely
somebody is a pain in the neck = an annoying and boring person
turn up my nose at something = refuse to eat something
in the open air = outdoors
something is beside the point = irrelevant
to put myself together = to bring my emotions under control
rain or shine = no matter what happens
it serves you right = you deserve it
to be given the sack = to be fired
to be in sb's shoes = to be in sb's position
ups and downs = mixture of good and bad experiences
to take into account = to consider
alive and kicking = alive, and still in good health
with open arms = gladly
his bark is worse than his bite = he is not as bad as he appears
a bird's eye view = panoramic view
it rains cats and dogs = it rains very heavily
at all costs = no matter what happens
as cool as a cucumber = extremely calm
day in, day out = one day after another
every other day = every second day
I am all ears = I am ready and eager to listen
to make both ends meet = manage to survive, economically
to be on the go = to be busy doing things