

Idioms in Use Set Five

Listen to the accompanying MP3 and read this short passage. Think about the meanings of the idioms as you listen and read. This will train your brain to master these idioms.

Situation: *A victim is talking about how her car was stolen and the response of the police.*

Last week, just **a stone's throw** away from here, my car was stolen from the supermarket car park. The thieves got into the car just as I was coming out of the supermarket. The brave supermarket security guard tried to stop them, but they got away **by the skin of their teeth**. Thankfully, we saw the two culprits very clearly, and passed on their descriptions to the police, who have promised to **leave no stone unturned** in finding both the thieves and my car. The police have provided me with a temporary car until they find my one. The kind response of the police and their huge effort has really **blown me away**. I can't thank them enough.