Idioms Set Five Example Sentences

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Leave no stone unturned = to do everything possible in order to achieve something
By the skin of your teeth = to only just succeed in doing something and almost fail
Blow me away = to be very impressed or pleased about something
A stone's throw = a very short distance

The historian promised to leave no stone unturned in his search for the ancient book.

The three leaders are continuing their effort in finding a peaceful resolution. They've promised to **leave no stone unturned** in their quest.

This school leaves no stone unturned when it comes to your child's education and welfare.

Jack's lawyer has vowed to leave no stone unturned in helping him to prove his innocence.

The man was extremely lucky. He escaped from the burning building **by the skin of his teeth.**

Colleague one: Did you manage to complete the project before the deadline?

Colleague two: Yes, we completed it by the skin of our teeth!

After being chased by the lions for miles, the exhausted young zebra only escaped **by the skin of its teeth.**

With the tsunami coming fast, the villagers got to a safe place, but only **by the skin of their teeth.**

The singer's powerful voice and wonderful performance **blew everyone away.**

All the paintings at the gallery **blew me away** with their quality and beauty.

I climbed the mountain with my hiking group yesterday. The view from the top **blew us all away.**

Parent: How is my son doing in English class?

Teacher: Very well. His stories and poems **blow me away** every time I read them.

The two planes almost collided in mid-air. They were within **a stone's throw** of each other.

Harry: I'll come and visit you sometime soon. Where do you live?

John: I live just a stone's throw away from here.

Samantha: How are you settling in to the new house?

Pam: It's absolutely perfect. And we are just **a stone's throw** away from the river and a lovely park.

This is a very small town. No matter where you live, everything is **a stone's throw** away so it's quite convenient.