

# March to the beat of your own drum

Idiom of the month

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## 1. Tick five things it is important to do in life.

1. Make smart choices.
2. Do what everyone else does.
3. Take good advice.
4. Be yourself.
5. Respect yourself and others.
6. Don't be afraid to be different.

## 2a. Read

Mrs Peters is so cool. She spent a year in India and now she does yoga with us every morning.

I know. The other teachers don't agree but she marches to the beat of her own drum.

I didn't know Mrs Peters could play the drums. I thought she played the guitar.

She can't! I mean she doesn't care what other people think or do. She isn't interested in just being like everyone else.

**2b. Complete with the idiom of the month.**

People who \_\_\_\_\_ don't behave in the same way as everyone else. They are independent thinkers.

***If you march to the beat of your own drum, you don't just copy other people.***

**3. Questionnaire.**

**Work in groups of 5/ 6. Ask and answer questions a-e.**

**Put a tick next to the answers you receive for each question.**

- a. What is your personal style?
- |        |        |         |       |
|--------|--------|---------|-------|
| Sporty | Casual | Elegant | Other |
|--------|--------|---------|-------|
- b. What music do you listen to?
- |     |     |           |       |
|-----|-----|-----------|-------|
| Pop | Rap | Classical | Other |
|-----|-----|-----------|-------|
- c. What TV series do you watch?
- |       |        |       |       |
|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| Drama | Sci-Fi | Anime | Other |
|-------|--------|-------|-------|
- d. What do you read?
- |       |           |       |       |
|-------|-----------|-------|-------|
| Books | Magazines | Manga | Other |
|-------|-----------|-------|-------|
- e. Do you use social media?
- |      |     |
|------|-----|
| Yes. | No. |
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**4.****a. Share your group's results with the class.**

*For question (a), \_\_\_\_\_ person/ people answered \_\_\_\_\_...*

**b. Are there any people in your class who march to the beat of their own drum?**

**Write.**

*In my class, there are/ aren't ...*

## Teacher's Notes

1. Tick 1, 3, 4, 5 e 6
2. 2.b People who march to the beat of their own drum don't behave in the same way as everyone else. They are independent thinkers.
3. Answers may vary.
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