

Sayings from Shakespeare

- Pablo is forty years old. It's **high time** that he got a job and moved out of his parents house.
a) It should have already happened b) It's time to be happy.
- He always stays up late writing. He's a real **night owl**.
a) someone who stays up late. b) Someone who stares a lot.
- I don't have any food left in the kitchen. My visitors **ate me out of house and home**.
a) He destroyed my house b) He ate all my food.
- My baby cried all night so I **haven't slept one wink**.
a) I haven't slept at all. b) I have slept for a long time.
- John's **in a pickle**. His friends are coming for dinner but he hasn't got any food.
a) drunk. b) in a difficult situation.
- The joke was really funny. It had us **in stitches**.
a) badly injured. b) laughing a lot
- We'll find out who stole the painting eventually. **The truth will out**.
a) In the end everyone will know the truth. b) The truth will be destroyed.
- The ghost story he told at Halloween **made my hair stand on end**.
a) It was interesting. b) It was very frightening.
- Be careful of people selling Rolex watches for £100. **All that glitters is not gold**.
a) Something may look better than it is. b) It might be deadly.
- When you give a speech you should be clear and concise. **Brevity is the soul of wit**.
a) It's more intelligent not to talk too much. b) Short people are funnier.
- You'll never find English tea bags in Spain. It's **a wild goose chase**.
a) It's very energetic. b) It's impossible to do.
- They were clean and shiny but now they're destroyed. My shoes **have seen better days**.
a) They have deteriorated. b) They weren't made for this weather.

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Use the phrases to make your own sentences:

1. **high time**

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2. **night owl.**

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1. **eat (someone) out of house and home.**

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2. **not sleep one wink.**

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3. **in a pickle**

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4. **in stitches.**

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5. **The truth will out.**

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6. **made my hair stand on end.**

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7. **All that glitters is not gold.**

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8. **Brevity is the soul of wit.**

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9. **a wild goose chase.**

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10. **have seen better days.**

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1. It's high time...
 2. He's a night owl.
 3. He has eaten me out of house and home.
 4. He has not slept one wink.
 5. He's in a pickle
 6. He's in stitches.
 7. Truth will out.
 8. It makes your hair stand on end.
 9. All that glitters is not gold.
 10. Brevity is the soul of wit.
 11. It's a wild goose chase.
 12. We have seen better days.
- A. Intelligent speech and writing should use few words.
 - B. Lies will be discovered eventually.
 - C. He has been awake all night.
 - D. He's laughing a lot.
 - E. It's very frightening.
 - F. It's an impossible task.
 - G. He's in a difficult situation.
 - H. We were happier/ better in the past.
 - I. Not everything that is shiny and superficially attractive is valuable.
 - J. He's a person who is active late at night.
 - K. It should have been done by now.
 - L. He has eaten all my food.

Did you know that Shakespeare has contributed more phrases and sayings to the English language than any other individual?

