

CLEVER CLICHES

Level 3-4

Phrases that are heard over and over again are called clichés. Radio and TV sports commentators use them a lot to describe something that is happening on the field.

Here are some phrases for you to look at. Write down what you think each of these mean.

EXAMPLE

- ◆ She has to take one step at a time.
Meaning: The player has to get one thing done before they can do another.

- 1. When the going gets tough, the tough get going.
Meaning:

- 2. She's got to play her own game.
Meaning:

- 3. He just can't keep hold of the pill.
Meaning:

- 4. This guy is dynamic, he's having a blinder of a game.
Meaning:

- 5. This team is trying to win by not losing.
Meaning:

- 6. No guts, no glory!
Meaning:

- 7. She has nothing to fear but fear itself.
Meaning:

- 8. Someone has to put the ball carrier on the deck.
Meaning:

- 9. He now knows, what goes around comes around.
Meaning:

- 10. Ah well, c'est la vie.
Meaning:

