

**Maiden speech**

(One's first speech) - Mehreen's maiden speech was a complete failure. She cut a sorry figure by forgetting her points.

**Make a bolt for it**

(Run away suddenly) - The prisoners made a bolt for it when the guard wasn't looking.

**Make a clean breast of**

(To make full confession) - The judge will give the convict a lighter sentence if he makes a clean breast of his involvement. (ii) She resolved to make a clean breast of it before she died.

**Make a clean sweep**

(To get rid of everything unnecessary or unwanted) - The new manager made a clean sweep of all the lazy people in the department.

**Make a fool of**

(Trick him) - You certainly made a fool of him by giving him the old book as new.

**Make a scene**

(Create an embarrassing situation by displaying emotion) - He made a scene in the bar because his friend was drinking too much.

**Make amends**

(To do something to improve the situation after doing something wrong, stupid etc.) - He gave her a present to make amends for his rudeness.

**Make eyes at**

(Look lovingly at) - She saw her husband making eyes at another girl.

**Make one's mark**

(Become distinguished) - She has made her mark in writing poetry.

**Make someone's blood run cold**

(To frighten or horrify (someone) very much) - The terrible scream made her blood run cold.

**Make up one's mind**

(Decide) I can't make up my mind whether to spend the vacation at home or in Abbotabad.

**Meet halfway**

(Compromise) - The employees wanted all their demands to be met. The management eventually met halfway by accepting three fourths of their demands.

**Neat as a pin**

(Very neat and tidy) - Everything was as neat as a pin in the house.

**Neck and neck**

(keen and close; close together of two competitors in a contest) - If newcomers were to bring in the system of neck-and-neck trading.

**Never say die**

(Don't despair) - Tell him I bid him never say die.

**Now and then**

(Occasionally; from time to time) - Now and then a car passed; otherwise the two of us were all by ourselves walking the moonlight.

**Null and void**

(Ineffective) - The Supreme Court has declared our state's law on land holding null and void.

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