

# Proverbs

Don't count your chickens ...	before they hatch
Don't put all your eggs ...	in one basket
All's fair ...	in love and war
People who live in glass houses ...	shouldn't throw stones
If at first you don't succeed ...	try, try again
All work and no play ...	makes Jack a dull boy
He who laughs last ...	laughs longest
A stitch in time ...	saves nine
Better late ...	than never
The grass is always greener ...	on the other side
Do unto others ...	as you would be done by
When the cat's away ...	the mice will play

# Teachers' Notes

AIM	Proverbs
LEVEL	Upper-intermediate / Advanced
TIME	45 minutes

## PROCEDURE

- Give each student one half of a proverb, and they move around finding their 'partner' to complete the proverb.
- Elicit an explanation / meaning for each one as a class, and compare the proverbs with their own native proverbs.
- Students work in pairs. Each pair is given a proverb and told to add a clause to the end of the proverb, beginning 'otherwise...'