

Proverbs and Adages

A **proverb** is a short common saying that gives a valuable piece of advice or practical wisdom. Proverbs are more widely used than adages.

An **adage** is a short memorable saying that contains a universal truth. Adages have a longer history than proverbs.

PREVIEW

Choose the correct word from the parentheses to complete each proverb or adage.

1) A picture is worth a thousand _____. (poems, songs, words)

2) Make _____ ()

3) _____

4) If it ain't broke, don't _____ (fix, make)

5) Every _____ silver _____ (w, say)

6) What goes _____ (its, comes)

7) _____ (Money, Time)

8) Out of sight out of _____ (heart, mind, love)

9) A journey of a _____ miles begins with a single step.

(hundred, thousand, million)

10) Keep your friends close and your _____ closer.
(family, neighbors, enemies)

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