

## Idiomatic phrases that often get mangled

### Incorrect:

all for not  
alterior motive  
antidotal evidence  
at his beckon call  
baited breath  
bare witness  
Cadillac converter  
cease the opportunity  
deep-seeded  
doggie-dog world  
drips and drabs  
flaw in the ointment  
from the gecko  
Here, here!  
laughing stalk  
low and behold  
manner from heaven  
mute point  
off the beat and path  
peek my curiosity  
post-dramatic stress  
prima fascia  
put the pedal to the medal  
reek havoc  
run the gambit  
same-o same-o  
shoe-in  
statue of limitations  
takes two to tangle  
to the manor born  
wet their appetite  
worse comes to worse

### Correct:

all for naught  
ulterior motive  
anecdotal evidence  
at his beck and call  
bated breath  
bear witness  
catalytic converter  
seize the opportunity  
deep-seated  
dog-eat-dog world  
dribs and drabs  
fly in the ointment  
from the get-go  
Hear, hear!  
laughingstock  
lo and behold  
manna from heaven  
moot point  
off the beaten path  
pique my curiosity  
post-traumatic stress  
prima facie  
put the pedal to the metal  
wreak havoc  
run the gamut  
same old, same old  
shoo-in  
statute of limitations  
takes two to tango  
to the manner born  
whet their appetite  
worse comes to worst