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Vocabulary - Idioms<br>10 English Idioms about Sport - Role Play

1. be a good sport
2. meet your match
3. touch base with sby
4. have sby in your corner
5. be a two-horse race
6. get a head start
7. be plain sailing
8. get the ball rolling
9. take it on the chin
10. the ball is in your court
take a joke well
meet sby who is your equal
meet sby to talk
have supporters
be a competition between two
start before the others
be effortless
start
accept a hard situation bravely
it's your decision

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Joanna. I see. Well I can help you with your presentation, if you want. Shall we have a look at it now?
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Ridhi: Thanks Jo. You're the best. You know, it's so important for me to know I d) $\qquad$ .
Joanna: You can count on me. So let's e) $\qquad$ -

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