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Student’s choice; examples of correct answers:

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be patient

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give a false alarm

Remember:
an idiom is a word or phrase with an actual meaning that is different from its literal meaning.