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impossible. I have heard the broadcast. 不可能。我已听见广播了。

3.be too quick on the trigger 操之过急，行动过于仓促 trigger 指枪的"扳机，触发器"。该习语直译为"过早地扣动扳机"，引申为"行动过于仓促，操之过急"。 A: You shouldnt have had Bob do that job. He is still a green hand. 你不该让鲍勃做那项工作，他毕竟还是一个新手。 B: But he needs to be given a chance. 但是他也需要机会呀！ A: You should not have been too quick on the trigger. 可你不该太性急呀！

4.bear down 加倍努力 该习语本身就有"竭尽全力、加紧努力"的意思。例如：You will bear down if you expect to pass the exam. (你要是指望考试及格的话，就得加一把劲。) A: If we cant finish the work before deadline, we will be fined according to the contract. 如果我们不能在规定的期限内完成工作，根据合同，我们将会被罚款。 B: We are already bearing down to do the work. 我们已经在很努力地工作了。 A: I know. What I mean is that we should improve our efficiency. 我知道。我的意思是我们必须提高效率。

5.beat someone at his own game 将计就计地惩罚某人 习惯用语beat someone at his own game直译为"以某人自己设计的把戏打击某人"，与汉语的"将计就计"近似。 A: You seem to be worried about something. 你看上去很担心。 B: Yeah. I dont know how to deal with that smart businessman. 是呀。我不知道该怎么对付那个狡猾的商人。 A: Dont worry. Lets beat him at his own game. 别担心，我们可以将计就计。 B: A good idea. 好主意。

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