English Proverbs

- 1 Make hay while the sun shines.
- 2. Look before you leap.
- 3. A stitch in time saves nine.
- 4. Many hands make light work
- 5. Don't count your chicken before they are hatched.
- 6. A watched pot never boils.
- 7. The leopard cannot change his spots.
- 8. The grass is always greener on the other side.
- 9. It's no use crying for the moon.
- 10. A bird in hand is worth two in the bush.
- 11. Too many cooks spoil the broth.
- 12. The early bird catches the worm.
- 13. Every horse thinks his pack the heaviest.
- 14. The night is always darkest just before the dawn.
- 15. Don't put all your eggs in one basket.
- 16. Half a loaf is better than no bread.
- 17. Bad news travels fast.
- 18. Absence makes the heart grow fonder.
- 19. If you have made the bed you must lie on it.
- 20. All that glitters is not gold.
- 21. Out of sight out of mind.
- 22. Don't make a mountain out of a molehill.
- 23. Great oaks from little acorns grow.
- 24. Don't have too many irons in the fire.
- 25. Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today.
- 26. Cut your coat according to your cloth.
- 27. Early to bed, early to rise makes you healthy, wealthy and wise.
- 28. Don't change horses in mid-stream.
- 29. Jack of all trades is master of none.
- 30. Take care of the pennies and the pounds will take care of themselves.

Match the following halves of the proverbs:

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Possible test task:

Complete the proverb: A bird in hand ...