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Leap Year Idioms

An idiom is an expression whose meaning is not predictable from the usual meaning of the words. Here are some examples:

- ◆ "I'm running out of butter." Are you actually running out of a big stick of butter? No, you need to go to the grocery store and buy more.
- ◆ "It's a piece of cake." Are you talking about a delicious dessert? No, you mean the task is really easy.

Below are common idioms and sayings using the words "leap" and "year." Use the clues to help you fill in the blanks.

Think before you act	<u>look</u> before <u>you</u> leap
An older person might be described as this	<u>getting</u> on in years
An idea that doesn't follow a normal train of thought	Leap of <u>logic</u>
Huge improvement or growth	By leaps and <u>bounds</u>
You might say this when you mean you'll never do something	<u>never</u> in a million <u>years</u> !
You take this when you choose to believe and trust	Leap of <u>faith</u>
Beauty treatments that make you look younger can be said to do this	<u>take</u> years <u>off</u>
You might do this if you get a really good opportunity to try for your goal	Leap at the <u>chance</u>
An expression that means an event happens every year	<u>year</u> in, <u>year</u> out
Something that happens all year long	Year <u>round</u>
Neil Armstrong said this when he became the first person to walk on the moon	One small <u>step</u> for man, one <u>giant</u> leap for <u>mankind</u>

Word Bank: bounds, chance, faith, getting, giant, logic, look, mankind, never, off, round, step, take, year, year, years, you