SNAKE IDIOMS

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snake's age (a long time ago) a snake's breath of good that will do (a fat lot of good that will do --- i.e., NOT) a snake-bitten scheme (similar to flea-bitten; i.e., not a good or sound idea) as if snakes could walk (impossibility) as sure as snakes sing (impossibility) before serpents's time (long, long ago) bet a snake's kiss bigger snakes to snare by Draco (by the serpent constellation) by serpent's blood (serious, serious curse) by serpent's grace clear as a snake's eye (very clear) enough to last anyone a snake's lifetime flatter than a snake (get depressed) for snake's sake (expression of impatience) have a ball of snakes (go crazy) have a snake (equivalent of "have a bird"-i.e., get upset) if snakes could grow legs (an impossibility)may the serpents protect us! one for the tail, two for the scales, three for the rattle, and four...to go! scaly (crazy; nasty) scaly day (as in a really bad day); scaly filthy (really dirty, very dirty) serpent's blood (the most serious swearing curse, use only with caution) serpent's scale (general exclamation) snake heaven (a nice hole) snake in the grass (someone you trusted, but they betrayed you) snake's arss (very crude) snake's beard (wow) snake's breath snake's feet (no kidding) snake's pox snake's scales snake's tongue snake-legged (crazy) snake-legged schemes (crazy schemes) snakes alive (my goodness) snakes can't change their stripes snaky (crazy, mad, not to be trusted) snaky rich (very, very rich) sneaking snakes; snickety snakes (funny expressions) someone or something is the snake's hips (very desirable, perfect, can do no wrong) sound as a snake (healthy) split a snake (freak out) swear on serpent's blood (a binding swear) turn quicker than a snake's tongue snap what in snake's name where there's a rattle, there's a snake