**KEYS (7-8)**

**Part 1. Listening Comprehension**

**Task 1.**

1. B 2.A 3. A 4. A 5. B 6. B 7. B 8. A

**Script**

Language changes over time. Many words and expressions have changed over the centuries.

But the word “friend” has stayed the same. It is a rare example in the English language. The meaning and usage of “friend” has stayed unchanged for hundreds of years.

Well, that is until 2005.

That was when the social website Facebook started using the word as a verb. Now, you can “friend” someone or “unfriend” them, as the case may be. However, be advised, using friend as a verb only works when talking about Facebook. Of course, that may change some day too.

But for now, the correct word for making friends is the verb “befriend.” For example, you can use a sentence like, “She befriended many Korean students while living in China.”

The words tight and thick are often used to describe really strong friendships. If you are tight with someone, you are close with them. For example, I know two people who have been friends since grade school. They are super tight.

A good friend will see you through “thick and thin,” meaning both the good times and the bad.

Two people do not have to be together all the time to be called two peas in a pod. Peas growing inside a pod are often very similar. So, people who are like peas in a pod have a lot in common.

If two people are always together they are said to be attached at the hip, or joined at the hip, even if they are very different from each other.

Some people get along so well, it’s as if they were made to be together. A dated expression that describes this relationship is to go together like a horse and carriage. These days Americans rarely say that. Instead, you might say “they go together like “milk and cookies.” Or you could use other foods that go well together like, “mac-n-cheese,” “salt and pepper,” or “peanut butter and jelly,” which is very American.

But if you do not get along with someone then you are like oil and water. In other words, you don’t mix.

And that brings us to enemies, which will be the subject of another Words and Their Stories.

**Task 2.**

9) galaxy

10) sign

11) universe

12) messages

13) alone

14) intelligence

15) families

**Part 2. Reading Comprehension**

**Task 1.**

16.A 17.D 18.B 19. C 20. C

**Task 2.**

21. A 22. B 23. A 24. A 25. B 26. B 27. A 28. B

**Part 3. Use of English**

**Task 1.**

1.B 2.C 3.A 4.D 5.B 6.A 7.C 8.A

9. Although cycling is slow, it is healthy and environmentally friendly.

10. Everybody will have a bike in the future if petrol becomes very expensive.

**Task 2.**

11. sprang

12. shook

13. began

14. feared

15. am suffering

16. allow

17. remove

**Task 3.**

18. permission

19. ease

20. disappointment

21.unpleasant

22. intelligence