



Week 8
Primary

The Write Tribe

VOCABULARY BUILDER

16/9



Story Study

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

thick and thin	waltzed	hesitantly
thick as thieves	night and day	evasive
fateful	plodding	gut feeling
proverb	jubilation	request

MEANINGS		
ask politely	intuition	dodging
1. WORD:	2. WORD:	3. WORD:
short well known piece of advice	elation	reluctantly
4. WORD:	5. WORD:	6. WORD:
all the time, constantly	have an important & negative effect on the future	trudge
7. WORD:	8. WORD:	9. WORD:
very close with one another	danced	through many difficult times
10. WORD:	11. WORD:	12. WORD:



take a hike	smashed into smithereens
creased in sorrow	insisted
dilemma	confronted
qualms	out of character

MEANINGS		
demand forcefully	filled with sadness	break into many pieces
13. WORD:	14. WORD:	15. WORD:
in a pickle	come face to face	behave in a way that's inconsistent with someone's usual pattern of behaviour
16. WORD:	17. WORD:	18. WORD:
reservations / doubts / feelings of uneasiness	go away	
19. WORD:	20. WORD:	



IDIOMS ABOUT FRIENDSHIP

word/phrase	meaning
to see eye to eye with someone	
friends in high places	
to build bridges	
birds of the same feather flock together	
to know someone inside out	
to get on swimmingly	

to get along well with someone	people who are alike hang out together	have influential or important friends
to know someone very well	to promote friendly relations between two people or groups	to agree with someone



Form sentences using the idioms below. Do not copy the examples. Copying the examples will result in the reduction of 1 WRITE BUCK!

1. BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE

To be wrong or misguided about the reason for something

*He thinks the company's problems can be solved just by firing the sales team, but he's **barking up the wrong tree**.*

2. BEAT ABOUT THE BUSH

To talk about unimportant things because you're avoiding a particular topic

*Stop **beating about the bush**! Are you planning to quit university, or not?*

3. BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

It's better to do something late than not at all

Person A: "Sorry I missed your birthday! There's a card in the post."

*Person B: "Don't worry. **Better late than never**!"*



4. BETWEEN A ROCK AND A HARD PLACE

To be in a difficult situation where both options are bad

Person A: "If I go to the wedding mum will be upset, but if I don't go then I'll be letting down the rest of the family!"

*Person B: "Sounds like you're caught **between a rock and a hard place**."*

5. BITE OFF MORE THAN ONE CAN CHEW

To do too much or take something on that is too difficult

Person A: "I'm going to start that weekend job at the museum on top of my full-time job because I really need the money."

*Person B: "Sounds like a lot of work! Don't **bite off more than you can chew**."*





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MATCH THE IDIOMS

A BLESSING IN DISGUISE		A nearby place
A SANDWICH SHORT OF A PICNIC		someone does something that makes a bad situation worse
A STONE'S THROW		someone is already hurt and you do something to make them feel worse
ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS		Something bad that turned out to be good.
ADD FUEL TO THE FIRE		A person who is a little crazy
ADD INSULT TO THE INJURY		a point in your life where you have to make a decision that could take you on very different paths
ALL EARS		Trust someone by what they do not what they say
AT A CROSSROADS		excited to hear



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