

# English Firsthand Success Answer Key

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## Unit 1

### Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual

#### Listening Task 1

1. Madison Hayes
2. May 15th
3. Honolulu, Hawaii
4. pizza
5. hip-hop
6. dancing
7. homework
8. does karate

#### Listening Task 2

1. Your last name is Hayes, right?
2. When is your birthday?
3. Where are you from?
4. What's your favorite food?
5. What kind of music do you like?
6. What do you do in your free time?
7. What is something you dislike?
8. What is something interesting about you?

#### Language Check

#### Grammar Check

1. What's your name?
2. Is she from Canada?
3. Where are you from?
4. Where were you born? (When is also a possible answer.)
5. When is / When's your birthday?
6. Is Mohammed from Turkey?
7. What is / What's his favorite food?
8. What does Man-yi do in her free time?
9. Do they like English?
11. What do you do in your free time?

#### Vocabulary Check

A: Hey, Emma. What do you do in your free time?  
B: I watch a lot of movies.  
A: Do you like music?  
B: Yeah, I listen to pop music.  
A: What about sports?  
B: I play tennis.  
A: Anything else?  
B: Well, I'm a student, so I do homework in my free time, too.

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Betty Chang.

Chang (Zhang) is probably the most common family name in the world. There are a hundred million (100,000,000) people called Chang in China and Taiwan. This is Mohammed Yilmaz. Mohammed is the most common first or given name in the world. Mohammed is only a male name. It means "praised." Now, Mohammed is the twentieth most popular boy's name in the U.K.

This is Amy Smith.

Smith is the most common name in the U.S. There are three million Smiths in the U.S. Many names were based on jobs. A "smith" was a person who put metal shoes on horses.

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. praised
2. Smith
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## **Unit 2**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

### **Listening Task 1**

5-4-3-2-1

### **Listening Task 2**

1. plain, black, lovely
2. nice solid, striped
3. big, plaid, shoes
4. polka-dot, scarf
5. flowered, white, pants, dark

### **Language Check**

### **Grammar Check**

1. She's wearing a long red scarf.

2. His denim jacket is blue. Or His blue jacket is denim.
3. She's wearing a striped cotton skirt.
4. My wool sweater is green. Or My green sweater is wool.
5. She's wearing a big brown leather belt.
6. His leather shoes are black. Or His black shoes are leather.
7. He's wearing a red and black polka-dot tie.
8. She's wearing a long orange wool coat.
9. She's wearing a short white leather skirt.
10. Her wool hat is purple.
11. He's wearing a striped red and white cotton shirt.  
Or He's wearing a red-and-white striped cotton shirt.

## **Vocabulary Check**

1. a flowered skirt
2. a solid sweater
3. a polka-dot / polka-dotted scarf
4. a checked jacket
5. plaid pants
6. a striped tie

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Gisele Bundchen.

She's a Brazilian supermodel. She's one hundred and eighty centimeters tall. She weighs fifty-seven kilograms. She started modeling in Brazil when she was fourteen years old. Now she's famous around the world. Rolling Stone magazine gave her "The Most Beautiful Woman in the World" award.

This is Olivia.

I am an average American woman: one hundred sixty-one centimeters tall and sixty-three kilograms. But models in the U.S. are one hundred seventy-eight centimeters tall and weigh fifty-three kilograms. I think they should use people like me as models. Maybe I should be a model! This is Jun from Japan. I started modeling children's fashion when I was seven years old. It was my mom's idea. Of course, I go to school too. My school uniform is grey pants, white shirt, striped tie, and a navy jacket. It's simple, but looks good, I think.

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. 19 centimeters
2. because she represents real people
3. 8 years

## **Unit 3**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

### **Listening Task 1**

1. B—exercise
2. F—eat fruit and vegetables
3. E—walk

4. A—learn to relax
5. C—laugh

## Listening Task 2

1. Exercise at least 3 times a week.
2. Eat a lot of fruit and vegetables. Eat every color.
3. . . . take a car or a bus
4. Try yoga or meditation
5. Babies laugh 300 times a day. Adults only laugh 7 times.

## Language Check

### Grammar Check

1. Don't stay angry.
2. Do kind things
3. Take care of your body.
4. Eat healthy foods.
5. Don't eat fatty foods.
6. Don't always take the bus.
7. Spend time with your family.
8. Remember the good things in your life.

### Vocabulary Check

Good for health:

apologize, do yoga, exercise, laugh, relax, walk

Bad for health:

be angry, eat fatty foods, smoke

## Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.

### Real Stories Script/Answer Key

This is Christoffer from Sweden.

What's my advice for being happy? Live for today. I don't worry about the future. I always do what I want to do. This is Nina from the Philippines. My advice for happiness? Make money! I will make a lot of money. I will not spend too much. Then I can relax and be happy for the rest of my life.

This is Ananda from India.

Here's my idea for a happy life. Make other people happy. When I make other people happy I feel happy too. Shared happiness is double happiness.

Answer Key

1. false. The eight habits of happy people do not mention money.
2. Any supported answer is acceptable.
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

### Step 2 Answer Key

1. false. The eight habits of happy people do not mention money.
2. Any supported answer is acceptable.
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## Unit 4

### Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual

#### Listening Task 1

1. the yellow building between ABC Records and STAR Hotel
2. the pink building to the right of Burger Inn
3. the green building below the Rose Theater
4. the small shop between the shoe store and the bookshop, on the right
5. the large building in the top left-hand corner, across from the bank

#### Listening Task 2

1. Go down this street two blocks. It's on the left.
2. It's next to Burger Inn
3. Redfield's Department Store is next to the Rose Theater, across from the post office.
4. Go past the shoe store. Then turn right.
5. Go to the corner and turn left.

#### Language Check

#### Grammar Check

1. The department store is across from the hotel. (map 1)
2. There's a pizza place between the music store and the hotel. (map 1)
3. The bakery is next to Burger Inn. (map 2)
4. The theater is on the corner. (map 3)
5. The post office is across from Redfield's Department Store. (map 3)
5. The bookstore is next to the stationery store. (map 4)
6. The stationery store is between the shoe store and the bookstore. (map 4)
7. The park is between the bank and the supermarket. (map 5)

#### Vocabulary Check

7 (theater) You watch movies or plays here. 6 (park) You have a picnic, go for a walk, or play soccer here. 1 (electronics store) You buy iPods™, DVD players, or televisions here. 5 (supermarket) You buy food here. 9 (subway station) You take the train from here. 4 (post office) You send letters or buy stamps here. 8 (bakery) You buy bread, cakes, and pastries here. 3 (hospital) You go here when you are sick. 2 (stationery store) You buy paper, envelopes, and folders here.

#### Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.

#### Real Stories Script/Answer Key

I'm from Korea, but I went to school in the U.S.A. for one year. The people in Chicago were great. So were the restaurants, music, and shopping. But in the winter, the wind from the lake was really, really cold.

Now I live in Busan. The city is convenient and pretty clean. I live near the main station so I can go everywhere easily using the train. The transportation system in Busan is excellent. I enjoy shopping and eating out because there are so many interesting shops and great restaurants. Also there are lots of movie theaters and other entertainment places. Most people I know want to live in the city. City life is great.

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. From Jay's reaction to the wind in Chicago, we can guess Chicago.
2. The city is convenient (good transportation) and clean. There are a lot of interesting shops, great restaurants, movie theaters, and other entertainment.
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## **Unit 5**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

#### **Listening Task 1**

1. homestay
2. mother
3. burns incense
4. a friend

#### **Listening Task 2**

1. Native American Indian, made of stone
2. from Sweden, painted wood
3. from Thailand, a student gave it
4. made of glass, fun and funny-looking

### **Language Check**

#### **Grammar Check**

1.  
A: What are (this / these)?  
B: (That / Those) are my socks.  
A: Oh. What are ( it / they ) made of?  
B: ( It / They ) are made of wool.  
A: Where did you get ( it / them )?  
B: My grandmother made (it / them ).
2.  
A: Look at (this / those ) thing.  
B: What is ( it / they )?  
A: (That / Those ) is an electronic dictionary.  
B: That's cool. (It's / They're ) so small! I think I'll buy on

#### **Vocabulary Check**

1. This calculator is made of plastic.
2. This dog collar is made of leather.

3. This doll is made of wood.
4. The coffee pot is made of plastic and glass.
5. The incense burner is made of metal.
6. Spirit stones are small and round.
7. New laptop computers are small and light.

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Didem from Turkey.

When my Canadian friend came over to stay, we went to many coffee shops. We enjoyed chatting about Canada and Turkey. She's an artist. She gave me a beautiful oil painting she had painted of the Canadian mountains. On our last day I gave her this Turkish coffee grinder. It's handmade from brass. It will remind her of Turkey.

This is Johnny from Ireland.

I studied in Japan last year. This is a "hanko." It's a name stamp made from wood. My homestay family gave it me. There are two Chinese characters on my hanko. In Japanese, the first character means "castle," and its reading is "jo." The reading of the other character is "ni," and it means "two." So together the characters read "Johnny," and the meaning is "two castles." It's perfect. It reminds me of my visit to two castles in Sendai and Morioka.

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. an oil painting, a coffee grinder, and a hanko
2. The Canadian artist gave the painting. Didem gave the coffee grinder. Johnny's homestay family in Japan gave the hanko.
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## **Unit 6**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

#### **Listening Task 1**

1. visit Africa
2. be rich
3. build a library
4. speak Italian perfectly
5. be a grandmother
6. be my own boss
7. build a house
8. live in another country

#### **Listening Task 2**

1. is interested in other cultures
2. wants to have a lot of stuff
3. for her hometown
4. wants to live in Italy
5. wants to just play
6. doesn't want to work for someone else

7. likes his own style
8. wants to experience a different culture

## Language Check

### Grammar Check

1.  
B: I'm not sure. Maybe, I (will) travel around South America.
2.  
B: I (am going to) go to Europe. I bought my plane ticket yesterday.
3.  
B: He (is going to) finish university in June. After that, he's not sure. He (might) work for his dad's company.
4.  
B: I (am going to) be a scientist. I'm studying chemistry at university.
5.  
B: I'm not sure. Maybe, he (will) ask her this year.
6.  
B: Definitely I (am going to) finish my own painting. Then I (might) go to the art gallery.

### Vocabulary Check

1. Ming is going to live abroad. She's going to study in New York for a year.
2. In Australia, you can get a driver's license when you're twenty-one.
3. I want to learn a foreign language. Maybe I'll take a Spanish class.
4. TaeWoo runs every day. His dream is to win a race at the Olympics.
5. My brother wants to open a school for blind children.

## Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.

### Real Stories Script/Answer Key

This is Yuka and Misako from Japan.

Next summer we are going to join an international housing project. This housing project builds good, strong houses for people around the world. Our friends told us about it. We liked the idea, so we are going to go to Fiji for two weeks in August. We will need English because it's an international language. We are really looking forward to doing something useful in our summer vacation. Our life aim is to build over one hundred houses in many different countries around the world.

#### Step 2 Answer Key

1. to build more than 100 houses around the world
2. their entire lives
3. Answers will vary.

## Unit 7

### Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual

## Listening Task 1

1. happy
2. sad
3. sad
4. happy
5. Happy

## Listening Task 2

1. test was hard, got into school
2. was a good friend, had cancer
3. had an accident, parents very angry
4. last month, wonderful food
5. we lost, love all the members

## Language Check

### Grammar Check

Note: These are the most common answers. However, other questions are possible.

1.  
A: How was your vacation?
2.  
A: Where did you go?
3.  
A: What did you do there?
4.  
A: How was the weather?
5.  
A: Who did you go with?
6.  
A: How long were you there?

### Vocabulary Check

Last weekend, I (go) went to my grandmother's house. I (drive) drove there with my brother. We (have) had a car accident. It (be / not) wasn't serious. I (hurt) hurt my head a little. I (feel) felt happy when I saw my grandmother. She (take) took care of me. She (make) made a delicious dinner for my brother and me. She (tell) told us interesting stories. On Sunday we (try) tried making cakes with Grandmother. We (come) came home at 7 P.M.

## Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.

### Real Stories Script/Answer Key

This is Frane Selak from Croatia.

When he was thirty-three, Frane almost died on a train. It fell into an icy river. A year later, he was on a plane. The back door opened and he was sucked out. Three years after that, he was on a bus. The bus crashed. Four people died. When he was forty-one, Frane's car caught on fire on a highway. Eight years ago, a bus knocked him down. Then the following year, his car rolled down a mountainside. But finally at age seventy-four, he won the lottery. Frane bought a house, a new car, and a boat. He said, "Life is sweet."

## **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. false - one
2. 41
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## **Unit 8**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

#### **Listening Task 1**

1. a bamboo plant
2. a monkey
3. the Nile
4. South America
5. North America
6. Africa
7. Mexico City
8. cows

#### **Listening Task 2**

1. 1 meter
2. 1,000 words
3. 6,650 kilometers
4. 980 meters
5. over 100 meters
6. 53 countries
7. over 23 million people
8. 18 percent of all greenhouse gasses

#### **Language Check**

#### **Grammar Check**

1. An insect is smaller than a bird.
2. Monkeys are the most intelligent animal in the world.
3. Crocodiles are more dangerous than kangaroos.
4. The Nile is the longest river in the world.
5. Cheetahs are the fastest land animal in the world.
6. Mount Everest is taller than Mount Fuji.
7. Dogs are friendlier than lions.
8. Peacocks are the most beautiful bird in the world.

#### **Vocabulary Check**

1. A giraffe is tall. It is not short.
2. A hippo is heavy. It is not light.
3. A peacock is pretty. It is not ugly.
4. An elephant is large. It is not small.
5. A parrot is noisy. It is not quiet.

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Niwat.

I live in the country in Thailand. My town is near Chiang Mai, in the north part of the country. I love my town and I love my job. I take people on elephant rides. I ride on the elephant's head. The people ride in a basket on the elephant's back.

Some people are afraid of elephants, but they shouldn't be. Elephants are a lot like people.

Elephant parents take care of their children for twenty years. Did you know that? Or that elephants cry when they are hurt? Actually, I think some of my elephants are nicer than some of the people I know.

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. false – in a basket on the elephant's back
2. because he speaks positively about both
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## **Unit 9**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

#### **Listening Task 1**

- |                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. man: a little | woman: yes      |
| 2. man: yes      | woman: no       |
| 3. man: no       | woman: yes      |
| 4. man: yes      | woman: no       |
| 5. man: a little | woman: yes      |
| 6. man: no       | woman: a little |

#### **Listening Task 2**

1. when she was a kid
2. She's afraid of the water.
3. He has a terrible voice.
4. at school
5. Her mom is a math teacher.
6. She studied in Mexico.

## **Language Check**

### **Grammar Check**

1. I couldn't speak English when I was three.
2. Presidents can talk on television when they want to.
3. Can you sing a song in English? Sing it now.
4. Ken went to school when he was four. But he could say the alphabet when he was only three.
5. Maria could speak Spanish and English very well when she was a child. But now she has forgotten most of her Spanish.
6. Sharon is a rock musician. She can play the guitar very well.

7. I couldn't use the internet last night. My computer didn't work.
8. Most people can't name all the countries in the world.
9. In the past, many people couldn't swim. They didn't learn when they were children.

## **Vocabulary Check**

1. Marco swims very well. He goes to the pool every day.
2. I can't do math well. I don't understand this problem.
3. Todd can play the piano. He is really good!
4. We use the internet every day.
5. Chen can speak five languages. His native language is Mandarin.
6. YoungYo sings many karaoke songs with his friends every weekend.
7. Can you remember being five years old? My first memory is when I was seven.
8. My sister enjoys her job. She works very hard every day.

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Todd.

I enjoyed school, but I could not read easily. I was not stupid. I had a reading problem. A lot of people have reading problems. Tom Cruise, Whoopi Goldberg, Albert Einstein, and Walt Disney had reading problems.

In my case, black letters on white paper are hard to read, so I use a colored screen. I put it over what I'm reading. I can read more easily with it. For me, it is much easier to read the purple one. I use light purple. Other people find yellow or gray are better.

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. false – that's not a well-known fact
2. He uses a colored screen.
3. He is matter-of-fact about it. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## **Unit 10**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

#### **Listening Task 1**

1. match
2. no match
3. match
  
4. match
5. no match
6. match

#### **Listening Task 2**

1. cooking
2. washing dishes
3. working out

4. reading
5. own a company
6. speak Chinese

## Language Check

### Grammar Check

1.  
A: Do you want (to get / getting) married someday soon?  
B: No, I hope (to travel / traveling) the world.
2.  
A: Do you like (to ski / skiing)?  
B: Yes, I really enjoy (to do / doing) outdoor sports.
3.  
A: Did you finish (to clean / cleaning) the house?  
B: No, I just started (to wash / washing) the dishes.
4.  
A: I really dislike (to snowboard / snowboarding).  
B: Me too. I tried (to do / doing) it a few times last year, but I just couldn't do it.
5.  
A: Do you hope (to go / going) to university?  
B: Yes, I want (to start / starting ) at university next year.

### Vocabulary Check

1. go hiking
2. get married
3. wash the dishes
4. play tennis
5. sing karaoke
6. chat with friends
7. travel abroad

## Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.

### Real Stories Script/Answer Key

This is David from Canada.

In Canada, the U.S., and the U.K., families try to make time to be together. This time is called "quality time." The idea is that the family can enjoy being together. This is great, but holidays with family can be stressful. In the U.K. seventy-five percent of parents said their family holidays were stressful.

This is Shingo from Japan.

The longest holiday for many Japanese people is in May. It is called Golden Week. Actually, it is four national holidays, not a week. The most popular thing to do in Golden Week is to relax. Sixty-six percent of Japanese just like to relax.

This is MinJung Moon from Korea.

A few years ago in Korea more than fifty percent of children said they wanted to take trips into the country with their parents on weekends. However, ninety percent of parents said they wanted schools to do more activities for students on weekends! Which is best?

## Step 2 Answer Key

1. 5
2. their mothers and fathers
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.

## Unit 11

### Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual

#### Listening Task 1

1. x no music (late at night)
2. x cat (pets not allowed)
3. o food
4. o fridge
5. o visitors
6. x bother people
7. x nails or tacks / o tape is OK

#### Listening Task 2

1. You have to turn off the music at eleven o'clock.
2. You can't have a pet
3. You can have food in your room
4. You can have a refrigerator
5. You can have visitors at night.
6. You have to be quiet
7. Don't use nails or tacks for posters. You should use tape.

#### Language Check

##### Grammar Check

1. You can't play loud music.
2. You must be on time to class.
3. I have to go home early today.
4. You shouldn't fall asleep in class.
5. You need to study for the test.
6. She should get a good night's sleep. / She should be getting a good night's sleep.
7. She mustn't bring her dog to this park.
8. He can leave early today.
9. Sorry, children cannot enter.

##### Vocabulary Check

1. Be careful! The floor is wet.
2. Do not enter.
3. Don't drink the water!
4. No smoking.
5. Remember to switch off mobile phones.
6. Don't feed the animals.

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Darci from Brazil.

I had a homestay last year in Long Beach, California. I enjoyed it, but three rules I didn't like were: 1. I can bring friends home, but should talk to them in the living room or dining room.

2. I may use the kitchen, but should wash up immediately after finishing.

3. I have to be home by ten thirty P.M. My parents are great. However, when I got back to Brazil, I made two new rules for them: 1. You can only smoke outside the house. (for Dad)

2. You should not take my clothes without asking. (for Mom, not Dad!)

#### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. true

2. no

3. She clarifies that her rule about borrowing clothes is for her mom, not her dad.

## **Unit 12**

### **Preview answers are listed in the Audio Script and the Teachers' Manual**

#### **Listening Task 1**

As pictured:

2 4 1

5 6 3

7

#### **Listening Task 2**

1. did, got

2. went, guarded

3. put, used

4. watched, fought

5. ran, killed

6. fell, met

7. gave, can

### **Language Check**

#### **Grammar Check**

1. Next he (use) used magic powder on the giant.

2. First Ninja Sword Master Zen (go) went to the castle.

3. Finally the king's daughter (give) gave him the magic eye.

4. After that the king's daughter (fall) fell in love with him.

5. Then he (fight) fought twenty men.

#### **Vocabulary Check**

1. Last night, I met my boyfriend at the movie theater. We watched Romeo and Juliet. I loved the movie. My boyfriend slept through it.
2. Last weekend, we went hiking. My girlfriend fell in a hole. She screamed loudly. I ran to get help. We used a rope to pull her out. Now she is OK and I am a hero.

## **Interaction Language Model Answer Key listed in the Audio script.**

### **Real Stories Script/Answer Key**

This is Dr. Black Jack.

I am the mysterious Dr. Black Jack. I first appeared in a weekly comic over thirty years ago. Now my comics and movies are in English. People can enjoy them in many countries. I had no parents, and when I was a child I had a bad accident. This is one reason I decided to become a doctor. After I became a doctor, I lost my doctor's license. But I still do operations. I have great skill. My operations are very expensive for some people, but free for others. If I operate on you, how much will you have to pay?

### **Step 2 Answer Key**

1. He says he is. But we also learn that he lost his license.
2. because he had a bad accident as a child
3. Any supported answer is acceptable.