PROVERBS

Proverb — is one of the genres of the folklore which consists of phrases, that are short, brief figurative and which has grammatically and logically completed meaning. It is trimmed through the centuries and brought into compact and simple poetic form. It has a certain rhythm and contains life experience of ancestors, their attitude to the society, history, their emotional state, epic and aesthetic feelings and positive qualities. Uzbek proverbs are very rich in meaning and diversified in topics.

Samples of Uzbek proverbs are initially provided in Koshgariy’s composition “Devonu lug’ot-t-turk” Following samples can be provided on Proverbs about friendship:

A tree is kept by its roots,
A person-by his friends.
An enemy sometimes makes you laugh,
But kills you as soon as finds an opportunity.
Dying in a friend’s house
Is better than living in an enemy’s house
Do not go if an enemy calls you
Do not decline if a friend calls you
Instead of knocking on the door of an enemy,
It is better to stumble over at your friend’s home
Even if you give your soul to the enemy,
Never give your secret to him.
A friend’s cut straw is much better than an enemy’s grain
A friend speaks hard truth,
An enemy speaks what is pleasant for you to hear
Thousand friends are not enough,
One enemy is too many.
A friend speaks in front of you,
An enemy speaks from behind
It’s easy to become an enemy for your friend,
But it’s hard to become a friend for an enemy
Respect the one who has many friends,
Tell your secrets to the one who has few friends
The one who has a wise enemy
Is much better than the one who has a stupid friend
I know what to do with my enemies,
Save me from betrayal of my friends
Becoming enemies is easy
Becoming friends is difficult
Bad friend is the shadow of the black cloud
A stone in the uplands, is better than bad friend
From cloth, the new one is more preferable,
As regards a friend, the old one is better.
Instead of having thousand sums, have one true friend.
Envy friend is worse than the enemy who is far from you.
Never revile your mother with your father and your friend with your enemy.
Narrow place will be wide with friends,
Wide place will be a jail with enemy.
The new one has ignorance,
An old one has value
A good friend is better than hundred relatives
Let your enemy to cut a melon
Let your friend to cut meat.
Do not tell your sorrow to your friend, he will stress about it
Neither tell it to your enemy, he will rejoice for it.
You may confuse on your count, but never get confused choosing a friend.
Friends with count are inseparable