

FRIENDSHIP

For many people, friendship is a word they don't want to use with levity. Friends are the few people we trust in. That's why many people are bothered by the fact that in social networks like Facebook you can "make friends" only with one click. Nowadays, friendships can be found on the Internet too. Here and there people talk about the devaluation of friendship. But there are also positive aspects: People, for example, who get to know each other via online gaming share common interests, they do not have to see each other.

Discussion plan: Friendship

- What kind of friendship do you know?
- How do the different types of friendship differ?
- What is the difference between virtual friendship and real friendship?
- What distinguishes a friend from a "Facebook friend"?
- What do you expect from a friend?
- What makes a good friendship?
- What is the difference between friends and family?
- What is a friend?
- What is the difference between friends and acquaintances?

Activity: Friendship

To identify a relationship as a friendship, you can think about certain qualities of friendship.

- a) Create a list of qualities for friendship
- b) Draw "Friendship"

Compare the lists and drawings and try to find differences and similarities together.

Exercise: Types of friendship

Try to characterize 3 different types of friendships and think carefully about differences.

Activity: The true friend

Discuss the contents of the poem. Consider whether you expect your friend to always tell you the truth.

The true friend
He's my friend who always shows me the mirror,
won't hide the slightest stain,
warns me nicely, seriously scolds me,
if I don't do my duty.
This is my friend - as little as er's seems!
But the one who always flatters me,
praises me everything, never what reprimands.
Making mistakes by my hands,
and forgive me, eh` I regret
that is my enemy -
as friendly as he seems!

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