

What Is a Friend?

Friends like to be together. Friends stay together when good and bad things happen. Read the information below to learn more about friends.

Ways Friends Are Alike

Friends like to be together.

Friends are happy to see each other.

Friends know what they both like to do. They both like a lot of the same things.

Friends talk, share, and play together.

Friends Can Have Differences

Friends don't always like all of the same things.

Friends aren't always friends with the same other people.

Friends don't always agree.

Friends don't have to spend all of their free time with each other.

Always a Friend

In good times:

Friends like to laugh.

Friends play together.

Friends help each other.

In bad times:

Friends help each other solve problems.

Friends say they are sorry after an argument.

Friends cheer each other up when they are sad.



How would you finish this sentence?

A friend is someone who _____

Meeting Someone New 4

Answer the questions about the pictures. Think about the rules you know for meeting someone new.

1. Randy is meeting his new doctor for the first time. Is he acting okay?

Yes

No

Explain your answer.



2. This is Heather. Her teacher is facing her and introducing her to a new student, Rachel. Is Heather acting okay?

Yes

No

Explain your answer.



3. It's the first day of school and Elena just met Molly for the first time on the playground. Right away she whispers in Molly's ear, "Did you know you have a big mole on your face?" Is Elena acting okay?

Yes

No

Explain your answer.



Friendly Behaviors Checklist

Student _____ Date _____

Positive Observations	Always	Sometimes	Never
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Clearly understands the difference between a friend and an acquaintance	_____	_____	_____
Respects others' personal space	_____	_____	_____
Exhibits open, positive, friendly behavior	_____	_____	_____
Gives compliments successfully	_____	_____	_____
Recognizes and takes responsibility for socially inappropriate behavior	_____	_____	_____
Acts appropriately when meeting someone new	_____	_____	_____
Makes polite requests of classmates	_____	_____	_____
Makes polite requests of faculty and staff	_____	_____	_____
Consistently expresses thanks	_____	_____	_____
Gives appropriate compliments	_____	_____	_____
Is a good sport	_____	_____	_____
Joins casual group interactions successfully	_____	_____	_____
Classmates respond positively to student's social attempts	_____	_____	_____
Apologizes successfully	_____	_____	_____
Staff and faculty respond positively to student	_____	_____	_____

Negative Observations			
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Tattles on other students	_____	_____	_____
Argues and fights with other students	_____	_____	_____
Argues with staff and faculty	_____	_____	_____
Classmates respond negatively to student's social attempts	_____	_____	_____
Faculty and staff respond negatively to student	_____	_____	_____