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A relationship between friends is called a friendship. Friendships happen throughout all stages of people's lives and they can bring lots of happiness.



How Can Someone Be a Good Friend?

Asking questions and being a good listener are important in friendship. Sharing, being kind and saying nice things to your friends are also ways of showing that you care.

Why Are Friendships Important?

Friends can make you laugh and stop you from feeling lonely. Forming friendships with different people also helps us to learn about different cultures and religions.

Falling Out with Friends

Friends may fall out with each other at times. It can be difficult to sort out an argument if someone is angry and it may be better to talk about it when they are calmer. Friends may not always agree with each other's points of view but they should try to listen to each other to find a solution.

Making New Friends

Anya was very upset. She wanted to play with her skipping rope at lunchtime but she couldn't find it anywhere.

Laura didn't usually play with Anya but she hated seeing her sad so she invited her to play.

Anya didn't know Laura very well but she agreed.

Laura and Anya had fun together and made each other laugh.

They played together a lot following that day at school.



It taught both girls to make an effort with people they didn't normally talk to as they never would have become friends if Laura hadn't invited Anya to play.



Playtime

Sami and Oscar were on opposite teams when they were playing football and Sami's team won.



"I'm not playing football anymore!" Oscar shouted as he walked away.

Sami thought it was best to let Oscar calm down before he talked to him.

"I really don't want us to fall out. Either of our teams could have won," Sami explained.

Oscar took a deep breath and said, "I'm sorry. It was my fault. I'll try my best not to do that again."



Sami asked, "Why don't we play something else today?" Oscar smiled and the boys walked towards the climbing frame together.



Questions

1. What were Sami and Oscar playing? Tick one.

- rugby
- tennis
- football
- basketball

2. Draw **four** lines to complete the sentences.

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you laugh...

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3. How can someone show that they are a good friend? Tick **two**.

- asking questions
- talking over people
- being a good listener
- leaving people out

4. Look at **Making New Friends**. Number the events from 1-4 to show the order in which they appear in the text.

- It taught both girls to make an effort with people they didn't normally talk to.
- Laura invited Anya to play.
- Laura and Anya had fun together.
- Anya was very upset.

5. What can friendships help you learn about?

6. Fill in the missing word.

A _____ between friends is called a friendship.

7. Why do you think Sami let Oscar calm down before he spoke to him?
