



**PROJECT 1: FRIENDSHIP**

**ACTIVITY ONE:**

A BEAUTIFUL SHORT STORY ON FRIENDSHIP

- "My friend isn't back from the battlefield, sir. Request permission to go out and get him."  
- "Permission refused," said the officer. "I don't want you to risk your life for a man who is probably dead."

The soldier went, all the same, and, an hour later, came back mortally wounded, carrying the corpse of his friend. The officer was furious.

- "I told you he was dead. Now I've lost both of you. Tell me, was it worth going out there to bring in a corpse?"

The dying man replied:

- "Oh, it was sir. When I got to him, he was still alive. And he said to me, "Jack, I was sure you'd come."

**1. ANSWER THE QUESTIONS WITH COMPLETE ANSWERS:**

- A) Where does the story take place?
- B) What does the soldier ask his officer?
- C) Why was the officer angry when the soldier returned?
- D) Did the soldier regret going with his friend? Justify your answer.
- E) What was the price the soldier have to pay for being a good friend until the very end?.



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**2.- FIND THE WORD or WORDS THAT BEST MATCH THESE DEFINITIONS.**

- A) To expose to danger or loss. ( verb)
- B) Suffering injury or bodily harm, esp. in a battle or fight. ( adjective)
- C) A dead body, usually of a human being. ( noun)
- D) Moving while holding or supporting; transporting. (verb)
- E) Good or important enough to justify. (preposition)

**3.- VOCABULARY**

**3.1.- BE WORTH + Ving:** "It's worth fighting for freedom".-

Change the following sentences by using the structure **Be worth + Ving**

- This is a very good book.- I think \_\_\_\_\_
- I don't think it's a good idea to fix this car.  
I think \_\_\_\_\_
- I think that learning English pays off  
I think \_\_\_\_\_
- I don't think it's a good idea to visit that place  
I think \_\_\_\_\_

3.2.- DEAD or ALIVE

Live (vb)	Die ( vb)
Life ( noun)	Death ( noun)
Alive ( adjective)	Dead ( adjective)
Living (adjective)	Dying ( adjective)
Live ( adjective).- live concert, programme, etc	Deadly ( adjective) ( lethal, mortal)
<b>Expressions:</b> Dead or alive Alive and kicking	<b>Expressions:</b> Dead boring. Deadline

Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the boxes above.

- a) Someone gave \_\_\_\_\_ poison to the victim.
- b) Lots of people think he died some years ago but he’s still \_\_\_\_\_ and will turn 95 next year.
- c) The local priest went to the hospital to see the \_\_\_\_\_ woman.
- d) You should hurry up and turn in the project. The \_\_\_\_\_ is tonight at 22:00.
- e) Where did you \_\_\_\_\_ before moving to Canada?
- f) Do you believe in \_\_\_\_\_ after death?
- g) Mario Vargas Llosa is one of the best \_\_\_\_\_ writers in the world.
- h) The club has \_\_\_\_\_ music most nights.
- i) I want him here not later than tomorrow. Whatever it takes : \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVITY 2.- . Read, listen to the poem and complete the couplets.

AROUND THE CORNER

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3m0mzZLOP0k>

*Around the corner I have a friend,  
 In this great city that has no \_\_\_\_\_,  
 Yet the days go by and weeks rush on,  
 And before I know it, a year is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 And I never see my old friends face,  
 For life is a swift and terrible \_\_\_\_\_,  
 He knows I like him just as well,  
 As in the days when I rang his \_\_\_\_\_.  
 And he rang mine but we were younger then,  
 And now we are busy, tired \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Tired of playing a foolish game,  
 Tired of trying to make a \_\_\_\_\_.  
 "Tomorrow" I say! "I will call on Jim  
 Just to show that I'm thinking of \_\_\_\_\_",  
 But tomorrow comes and tomorrow goes,  
 And distance between us grows and \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Around the corner, yet miles away,  
 "Here's a telegram sir," "Jim died \_\_\_\_\_."  
 And that's what we get and deserve in the end.  
 Around the corner, a vanished \_\_\_\_\_.*

## ACTIVITY 3.- FRIENDSHIP

## FRIENDSHIP.

**3.1.- Read the text and underline the words that you find most useful. Include at least 3 new words from the text**

Friendship is a feeling of love and affection of one person for another. This feeling of love must be reciprocated. Otherwise, friendship cannot be possible. Friendship does not exist where tastes, feelings and sentiments are not similar.

It is said that a friend in need is a friend indeed. There may be many friends at the time of prosperity. But most of them desert at the time of adversity. We can examine the sincerity of a friend during our time of hardship and trouble. Only a sincere and faithful friend remains with us at the time of our trouble. All others leave us. It is very painful when our friends turn into traitors.

There are many fair-weather friends. They terminate their friendly tie as soon as their interests are fulfilled. It is very difficult to find a true friend today. It is better to establish true friendship with either a dog or an elephant. Both these beasts will remain faithful to their human friends. Today, friendship between two persons is short-lived.

Good friends exercise good influence. They always help their friends, in distress and inspire them to walk on the right path. But evil friends ruin us completely.

**3.2.- Find the words that correspond to the following definitions and translate them.**

- 1.- give, feel, etc, in return.
- 2.- If not.....
- 3.- A liking for something.
- 4.- Leave, abandon.
- 5.- a condition that is difficult to live through
- 6.- a person who betrays another, a cause, or any trust.
- 7.- The kind of person who will only be with you when there are no problems or adversity.
- 8.- to satisfy (requirements, needs, obligations, etc.):
- 9.- living or lasting only for a short time
- 10.- a narrow walk or way.

**3.3.- Otherwise; The text says : “This feeling of love must be reciprocated. *Otherwise*, friendship cannot be possible”.** In this context Otherwise means: **if not**.

Study this example:

*“Button up your coat, otherwise you will catch a cold” = “If you don’t button up your coat, you will catch a cold”*

3.3.1.- Replace Otherwise with a conditional sentence. Make all the necessary changes.

a) Close the window, otherwise it will get cold in here.

\_\_\_\_\_

b) Study hard every day, otherwise you will won't pass your exams

\_\_\_\_\_

c) They must train every evening, otherwise they won't be in shape

\_\_\_\_\_

3.3.2.- Replace if (not) with Otherwise. Make all the necessary changes.

a) If you don't take things seriously, nobody will trust you.

\_\_\_\_\_

b) If we don't plan everything carefully, we won't succeed.

\_\_\_\_\_

c) If she doesn't return the money, she'll be in deep trouble

\_\_\_\_\_

3.4.- POSITIVE ATTITUDES.- Tick the ten most important qualities a good friend should have. You can also add three more qualities

1.-Friendly		10.- Grown- up: (n)	
2.-Generous/ giving		11.- A good sense of humour	
3.-Hard-working		12.- To share	
4.- Reliable		13.- To trust	
5.- Intelligent/ smart		14.- To confront them when they're wrong	
6.- Polite		15.- To share common interests.	
7.- well-balanced		16.- honest	
8.- Sensitive		17.- A good listener	
9.- Sensible		18.- Understanding	

Money, money, money

It can buy a House, but not a Home

It can buy a Bed, but not Sleep

It can buy a Clock, but not Time

It can buy you a Book, but not Knowledge

It can buy you a Position, but not Respect

It can buy you Medicine, but not Health

It can buy you Blood, but not Life

So you see, Money isn't everything. And it often causes pain and suffering.

I tell you all this because I am your Friend, and as your Friend I want to take away your pain and suffering...

So send me all your money and I will suffer for you.

A more true Friend you will never find:-)

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4.- Phrasal verbs. Friendship

Nº	PHRASAL VERB	MEANING
1.	Get on/ along with somebody Get on well/ badly with somebody	To have a good relationship with someone To have a good/ bad relationship with someone
"Mark has always got on well with his classmates" " Do you get along with your boss" " I really get on badly with my neighbour"		
2.	Hit it off with sb	Immediate like and become friendly with them ( informal)
" It's amazing. They hit it off immediately when they met"		
3.	Fall out ( over/about sth) (with sb)	To have an argument
" We have fallen out about the car we want to buy" " It's not worth falling out about this"		
4.	Grow apart / Drift apart	Gradually become less friendly and more distant
"When students finish school they tend to grow apart" " We drifted apart ever since we fell out over the same girl!"		
5.	To open up	To talk more about oneself and feelings
" She finally opened up and told me everything that worried her"		
6.	To work sth out	To solve things
" Life is very short and there's no time for fighting, my friend. We can work it out" ( The Beatles)		
7.	To make ( it) up	To be reconciled after a quarrel / argument
"Did you make up with your brother?"		
8.	To let sb down	To have a disappointing effect on someone
" I won't let you down" " Don't let me down"		

**Pam:** When did you first meet John?

**Albert:** I first met him at school. We were hardly 7 or 8 years old.

**Pam:** Wow!. It's been quite a long time then.

**Albert:** You bet! We hit it off immediately and we got on very well from the start.

**Pam.** It looks like the perfect friendship story, right?

**Albert:** Well, it hasn't been that easy all the time. We have fallen out about stupid things more than once, but we always made up after things calmed down, not long after.

**Pam:** Tell me something, Albert. What has been the key to this long-standing friendship?

**Albert:** I guess that it has lasted so long because whenever there was a problem between us, we opened up and talked clearly; this way we didn't bottle it up and we could work it out right away.

**Pam:** Good thinking, and one more question if you don't mind. Have you ever let him down? or the other way round?.

**Albert:** Sometimes, but we both knew it wasn't deliberate, so it was easy for us to forgive each other. We have never meant to hurt each other.

**Pam:** I see. How often do you meet now?.

**Albert:** Not as often as we would like. You know, after we graduated at university, he moved to New York City and besides we've led very hectic, busy lives, so I guess we've grown a bit apart.

**Pam:** Yeah, that happens, but I'm sure you keep wonderful memories of each other, don't you?

**Albert:** Absolutely, he's still my best friend, no matter how long we haven't known about each other.

## 5.- WRITING WORKSHOP.- "BOSOM FRIENDS"

Functions to practice: - Describing someone.

Task.- *Write an essay on your two best friends. Describe them (their appearance, personality, interests) and compare them. Mention what they did or have done to become your best friends.*" ( about 125 words)

◆ **Key structures:**

- Verbs related to physical description: Be, have got; look; look like, wear
- Verbs related to likes and dislikes. Like/ dislike/ Enjoy/ hate/ / To be interested in/ To be keen on / To be fond of
- Comparatives and superlatives.
- Relative sentences.- who, which, whose, that,.....
- Preposition and connectors that show contrast: but; however; Unlike,....
- Expressions:
  - What makes him/ her special is.....
  - One of the things that impressed me most about.....
  - We've got lots of things in common; for instance,.....
  - I have known him since/ for.....
  - I think we get on well because.....

◆ **Lexical areas:** hobbies and pastimes, physical description, personality. Experiences,...

◆ **Instructions:** Your essay should include most of the following information: who your friends are, where and when you met them; how long have you know them; what they are like (physically and personality); some important things/ experiences you have shared; compared them at least in one thing.

Use at least one non-defining relative clause (explicativa)

Organise your essay in three paragraphs ( Introduction, Body and Conclusion ).

**(Introduction)** It's not hard to guess who my best friend(s) is/are; let me tell you about him/her them.

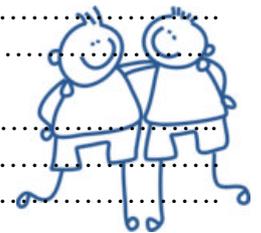
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**(Body)**.....

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**(Conclusion)** .....

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## 5.- SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION.- FRIENDS AND FRIENDSHIP

What are the most important qualities a good friend should have? Mention at least three things that make you a good friend of others. When do you consider somebody as your friend for the first time? Can you explain what a fair weather friend is? Give an example or situation that makes it clear. How many real friends have you got? What makes a person your acquaintance and not a friend? What's the name of your closest friend? How long have you met this friend? Why do you like this person?. Some people argue that it's not easy to have friends of different sex. Do you agree with that? Do you know anybody who has a different opinion of friendship as you? Do your parents or elderlies and you share the same opinion of friendship? To your mind, friendship is based on: .... (mention at least three principles). Does friendship need lots of meetings to be alive? Have you got long-distance friends? If so, what do you do to keep that friendship? What do friends need to have in common?

6.- SING ALONG: 1.- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WlwbCYfGI8s>

And now try to understand without lyrics:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iLL5YEzsUOg>