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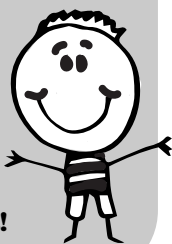
did you know?

Best friends can be far away!

Ruth Magee and Beryl Richmond's friendship has stood the test of time – and distance.

Even though they live over 3,000 miles apart (in Canada and England), they've been best friends for over 80 years!

What?? For real! And get this, their friendship was made strong by writing letters to each other, the kind you put in envelopes and mail with stamps!



What makes a friendship last?

Think about your best buddy – the one friend you love hanging out with the most. The one friend you hope will be your Friend Forever. What keeps your friendship strong?

Being friends takes work, like talking and listening. In this series, we'll see what it takes to be friends with people and with God!

We'll learn about talking to each other and talking to God. Sometimes this can be hard to do but we'll find out that talking to Jesus is really cool and amazing because He truly is our best friend!

And, our friendships can teach us how to be **better friends with Jesus too!**

How well do you know your friend?

This week ask a good friend these questions & get to know them better:

FRIEND'S NAME

HOW OLD ARE THEY?



WHEN IS THEIR BIRTHDAY?

WHERE WERE THEY BORN?



How well do you know Jesus?

Take time to answer these questions. If you don't know the answers, find a friend or adult to ask. Or challenge your friend to see who knows more!



Where was Jesus born?

Who were Jesus' mom and dad?

What was Jesus' dad's job?

What did Jesus' friends do for work?

What did Jesus do before teaching people?

What did Jesus do with five loaves and two fish?

What's the name of Jesus' famous talk?

Where did Jesus calm a big storm on the water?

Where did Jesus make a sleeping girl wake up?

How many friends did Jesus have?

What does Proverbs say about friends?

Read your Bible to learn how to be a great friend. Fill in the missing words:

Proverbs 12:26 → Choose your friends _____

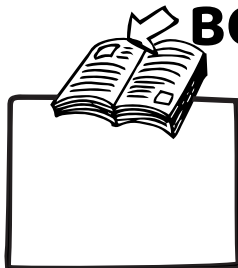
Proverbs 18:24 → A friend sticks closer than a _____

Proverbs 16:28 → _____ separates close friends

Proverbs 27:17 → One person _____ another

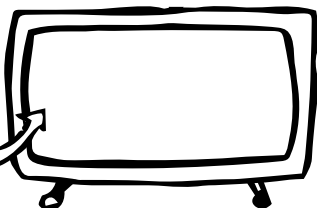
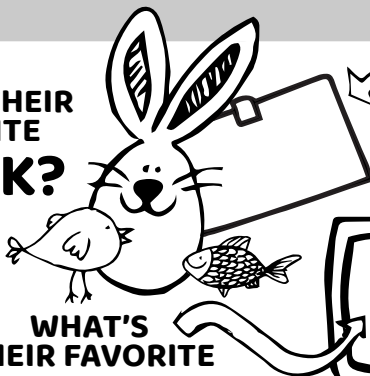
Proverbs 17:17 → A friend _____ at all times

WHAT'S THEIR
FAVORITE
BOOK?



WHAT'S
THEIR FAVORITE
ANIMAL?

WHAT'S
THEIR FAVORITE
TV SHOW?



THIS WEEK:

Practice Talking to God

Fill in the blanks. Practice talking to God by praying this prayer each night.

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for my friend _____. Please be with them and

help them _____. Help me to show your love to them

this week by _____. I also pray for my teacher

_____. Please give them strength to _____.

Thank you, God, for how my parents _____. Help me to

love and forgive my brother/sister _____ when they are

mean. I also ask for your forgiveness for when I _____.

Please help me obey my parents when they ask me to

_____. I'm very thankful for my _____. As I lay

my head down to sleep, please take my fear of _____

and give me strength to _____. Please help me share

your love with my friends by _____. Thank you, God.

I love you. Amen.