

## The qualities of a good friend

A good friend is a loyal and truthful person. He will not speak badly of you behind your back or backbite you. He will always support you no matter what happens. He is not a freeloader and definitely not selfish. Good friends should be truthful to each other.

There should not be any lies between good friends. This quality is extremely important as lies can lead to trouble and strain a close relationship.

A good friend comes for you and is concerned for your welfare. A good friend always hopes for the best for you. He is the one with whom you will be able to share your joys and sorrows. A good friend provides a shoulder to cry on whenever you are depressed. For instance, you always feel better after pouring out your woes and worries to a good friend. A good friend lends a helping hand and helps you get on with your life.

A good friend is not a selfish person. He is willing to share his knowledge or resources with you. He will not hesitate to assist you in your studies.

If a good friend also shares the same interest and perspective of life, it will make people grow closer and kinder to each other. They spend a great deal of time together pursuing their interests. They hold the same outlook on life. This is what makes friends get along so well.

A good friend should be a person whom you can confide your innermost feelings and deepest secrets. He will never leak out your secrets and of course he will never spread rumors about you. These rules might maintain a friendship throughout life.

**Activity 10: Create your own words, using the words in the box.**

1	Friendship		
2	Trust		
3	Supportive		
4	Selfish		
5	Loyal		
6	Truthful		
7	Helpful		
8	Generous		
9	Kind		

## **WANTED**

Friend! you are getting so old in this paper to find a good friend. List the qualities you are looking for and why. At the end of your ad, list the kinds of things they can expect from you if they respond to the ad.

Write the ad into your homework book, and hand it in!