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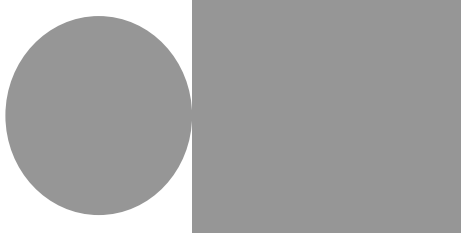


Friendship course Children (8-12)

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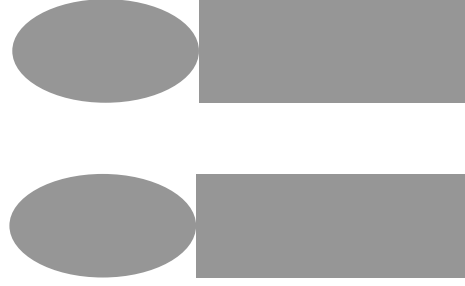
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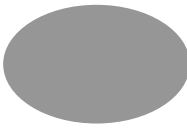
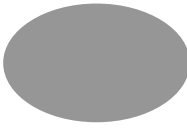


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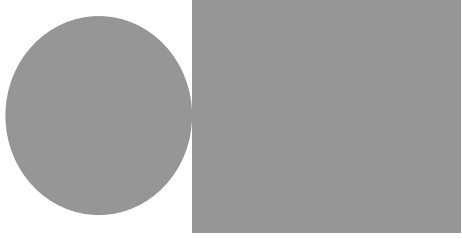


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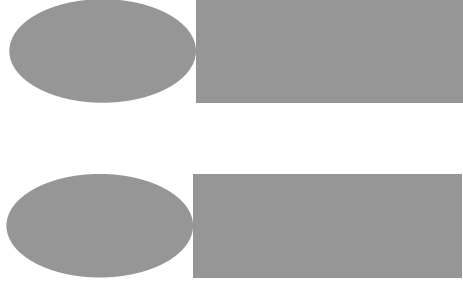
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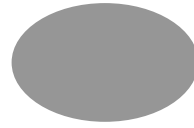


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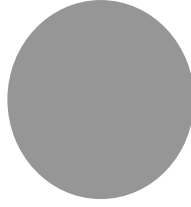
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**I think these are the characteristics And these are the characteristics C
my friends like about me: where I still can improve a little**



If I talk to

about their friends, they tell me the following:

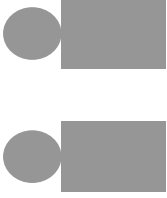


When I meet a new kid, what am I most interested in at first?

What makes me be interested in befriending the kid?

What do I most like to tell a new kid about myself?

What do other kids first enquire about me, when they get to know me?



If we like each other, what activity do we plan for the first encounter?



Do you propose the next meetup or the other kid? Or will your parents take care of that?

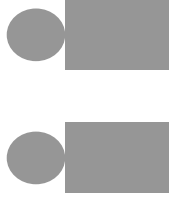
I set the example and invite first.

The other child will make the first invite.

My parents help me

The parents of the other child will do it

Imagine you made a social appointment with another child to play. Then it will cancel on you. How do you feel?



Imagine you have made a social appointment with child A to play a week ago, but now child B, which you like much more, invites you to play. What do you do?

I cancel on child A and say yes to child B I propose to child B and say yes to child A I keep my appointment with child A and cancel on child B I ask my parents what I should do?

How do you think child A and child B will feel in each case?

Keeping a social appointment

Which of these activities make you really angry?

Someone takes a toy from you without asking.

When candy is being handed out, the child next to you gets more than you do.

You and another child are racing, and the other child cheats and wins.

Another child breaks a rule that you yourself don't like following, but they are not corrected or criticized.

Another child takes your seat at school or at the dining table.

The adults praise another child more, even though you both achieved the same thing.

Another child says something mean to you or about you.

You are ignored. Nobody pays attention to you.

You and the other children tease another child, but only you get in trouble with the teacher or parents.

Something makes you angry, but the teacher or parents say, without listening to you: "It's no big deal, calm down."

How do you think your parents will view this?

Which games do you like to play?

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Movement games (Hide-and-seek, Catching ball)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Puzzle games (Sudoku, Maze)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Imaginative games (Pirates, Heroes, Play store, Family)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sports games (Soccer, Basketball)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adventure games (Treasure hunt)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Board games (Settlers of Catan, Ludo)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Card games (Crazy Eights, Rummy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Building games (Lego, Duplo)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water games (Water fights, Splashing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Computer/console games alone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Computer/console games with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Which of those do the kids in your school or neighbourhood prefer?

+ Love it, o Meeeh, - Don't like it

Which places are best for playing or spending time?

What makes them into that?

What are the three best memories and experiences with friends in the last year? What made them so lovely?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

And what can you do to enable something like this happening again? _____

Open questions for discussions

1. Can boys and girls be friends?
2. What is important for true friendship?
3. Are there qualities in friends that are important but often rare?
4. Where are the best places to have fun with friends?
5. What is different about seeing and playing with friends in person compared to communicating via WhatsApp or online?
6. What changes when you play with just one friend versus in a group of four or five?
7. Do all my friends have to be the same? What can be different, and what must they all have in common?

Your teacher or parent can tell you a lot of further questions.