

Friendship SEPTEMBER 2023



SAY IT:

Repeat the definition as you set the table.

Friendship: Using your words and actions to show others you care

KNOW IT:

ASK A GROWN-UP:

- Who was your best friend when you were my age? What made them a great friend?

ASK A KID:

- What do you look for in a friend?
- How can you be a good friend to your classmates at school?

SEE IT:

Pixar has produced a lot of great movies over the past three decades. Their movies have been seen by millions of people around the world and have landed on many peoples' list of favorite movies. One of the best Pixar movies ever made is about friendship. It is such a great movie that they made a sequel, and another, and another, as well as some spin-offs and TV shows. Do you know what this movie is? Here's a hint: "You've got a friend in me." If you guessed *Toy Story*, you are correct! While their relationship hasn't always been perfect, Woody the Sheriff and Buzz Lightyear's friendship is a great example of how we can all use our words and actions to show others that we care. Take a couple of minutes and sing along as you watch a great example of long-lasting friendship: <https://youtu.be/nMN4JZ8crVY>.

BE IT:

As a family, create a list of 5 to 10 characteristics of a great friend. Go over this list and decide some practical things you can do and say to let others know that you care about them. Being a great friend doesn't always come easy. Sometimes it takes practice and planning, but it is well worth it!

PHASE

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At every age, kids need significant relationships.

The significant relationships in a child's life include parents, teachers, relatives, coaches, and spiritual leaders.

As a parent, you can encourage these relationships as a way to ensure that other trusted adults are surrounding your kids with the same messages and advice that you would.

So don't miss it. This year, this month, today is just a Phase!