



### Why Should We Be Friends?

How can I make friends for the first time?

How do I know if they'll be my friends?

What if they don't want to be my friend?

Have you ever thought about what it's like to be a friend? Or how we make friends? There are so many things to think about!

How do you feel when you are with your friend?

Will she be my friend?

How do you know when someone is your friend?

Where do you go to meet your friends?

Are all your friends the same age as you?

What happens when your friends move house? Do you miss them? Do you still keep in touch with them?

Do you always get on with your friends? Do you ever fall out or disagree?

How do you make up again?

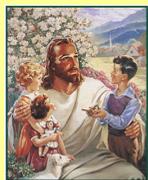
Have you ever cheered someone up or made a friend feel special?

Have you ever been on your own? What did it feel like?

Jesus had friends and he was a friend to the children too!

Jesus told lots of stories. People liked to gather round him and listen to what he was telling them. The children wanted to be near him to listen to his stories too.

When the children saw Jesus coming along the road they stopped playing and ran to meet him. They loved to listen to him.



One hot day, Jesus had been very busy. He had helped many people and the friends of Jesus, his disciples, could see how tired he was.

"Jesus must rest" they told the crowd, "Jesus, sit here and rest for a while". Jesus sat by the side of the road but wherever he went people followed him and wanted him to tell them another story.



"You can't bother Jesus today, he is too tired. Go away!" called one of his disciples, but Jesus heard and he saw the children waiting.



Jesus stood up and he smiled at his disciples and at the children. Then he said...

"Let the children come to me. Do not send them away"



The disciples stood aside and the children gathered around Jesus.

Jesus blessed them and they listened to his stories and loved him as he loved them.



Jesus you want us to live together as friends.  
Please teach us to be loving and patient with each other.  
Please help us to be friendly and kind to others.  
Help us to know when to say we are sorry and when people say sorry to us, please help us to be ready to make friends again.  
Amen

#### Challenging Attitudes – unit 2

##### Learning Objectives

- To recognise friendly and unfriendly actions
- To reflect upon the story "Jesus the friend of the children"
- To reflect on the story of Krishna and Sudhama

##### Citizenship

- To recognise how their behaviour affects others
- To recognise that family and friends should care for one another

##### ELG

- Develop awareness of their own needs, views & feelings & be sensitive to those of others
- Consider the consequences of their words and actions for themselves and others
- Understand that people have different needs, views, cultures and beliefs that need to be treated with respect.
- Understand what is right and wrong and why.

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