Building Friendships

Isn't it wonderful to have friends? Things are more enjoyable when you have someone to share them with. But friendships don't just happen; you have to build friendships. How do you do that?

Friendships are built when you get to know someone and then look for ways to show you care by:

- helping each other,
- communicating,
- listening to each other,

considering one another, and showing respect. A friend is someone you can talk to and share your joys with.

A good friend will also help you to choose to do what is right. It isn't always easy to remind a friend to follow instructions or to avoid doing something wrong or dangerous. However, when you do this, it is a sign that you are a loving friend, because you don't want to see a friend hurt or sad.

Being with a friend can bring plenty of joy, and make your days happier and brighter. And remember, as wonderful as it is to have a good friend, make sure that you are a good friend too. Look for ways to help the ones you care for and enjoy the happiness that friendship brings.

A true friend is the greatest of all blessings.

—François de La Rochefoucauld

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