

Candidate 2 evidence

Part 1 – Everyday Life

You write a popular blog for young people. This week, your topic is 'How friends can influence your life'.

Write your **blog** on this topic.

You should include some or all of the following information:

- how to make friends
- importance of friends
- what makes good and bad friendships
- maintaining a friendship
- how friendships change over time.

You may also add your own ideas.

You should write approximately 200–250 words.

Hello, this is

Today's weather is very sunny, considering the 3-meter water flood and an unstoppable two-day rain. Well, this is ~~the~~ the heart of ~~the~~ Scotland, and, to maintain a stable mental health we need friends that can walk with us, hand by hand together, even ~~in~~ ^{during} the most rainy moments of our lives.

To start off, first you need to know what types of friends are right for you. One of the ~~best~~ ^{most important} qualities that you need to look for ~~in a person~~ is not an intelligence, or how funny they are - even through

these are some useful characteristics; but how ¹⁰⁶ ~~jealous~~ jealousy they can become. Having a friend that is constantly jealous of your achievements is one of the most ~~storing~~ ~~things~~ things that can exist. Therefore, it will be better ~~to~~ not to make too close bonds with somebody who cannot truly be happy for you.

To find a good person, look for how they react to your problems instead. If they act distanced, and are trying not to talk about something that upsets, or lets you down - it is better to let such people go. However, if they try to help, or emotionally support you - congratulations! You found the one. How to keep ²⁰² them - is ~~the~~ another problem. The same as we all want to be treated with kindness and support, you should try to offer the same. Provide help, or a shoulder to cry on - if they feel like it. Friendships change over time - we grow up, learn, study, build families. But if ~~you~~ both of you ~~can~~ can understand that friendships can live on even with only one phone call a week (or sometimes a month) you can reach peace of mind, tranquillity and a ~~long~~ life-long friendship.

Your helpful friend,