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*Next week Yang Ming Senior High School is going to a competition about friendship to decide who has the most friends. The followings are some opinions from a few competitors.*

## ***What Is Friendship?***

### **Roger:**

I think friend is someone you can laugh and cry with, someone you can trust, someone you can overcome the difficulties together with. When getting along with one another, both of you gain lots of relaxation and joy. You can just be yourself instead of putting mask on your face in front of other people. When learning something interesting, you will share your joy together; when facing some handicaps, you will help each other to get over them together. The meaning of friendship is all about together, without violating each other's privacy.

## ***How to Build Up Friendship?***

**Esther:** Find out your common interests, just like birds of a feather flock together. You will have many topics to talk with.

**Amy:** Treat each other genuinely and communicate frankly are necessary. Be true to others and they will treat you in the same

way.

## ***How Do You Know When to***

## ***Call Someone a Friend?***

**Sonia:** They care about you. For example, when you feel upset, they will encourage you and help you solve the problem. They make time for you. While any of one of us claims to be busy, a true friend will reschedule and come to you.

**Anne:** They don't think themselves better than you. A real friend won't care whether you are rich or poor, beautiful or ugly, smart or stupid, young or old. Friends don't judge you—instead they back up your wildest dreams. Moreover, they will keep your secrets. Friends share secrets with each other—even until the day they die.

## ***My Friends and I***

**Jack:** I have the best teammates in my baseball team. They are not only teammates but also best friends. We all have a passion for baseball. My favorite event isn't

competing with other teams but practicing. We share our school lives during practicing, so there is always laughing during practice. Even when we are confronted with some difficulties, our team is just like a big family that everyone helps each other, and also work hard together. I feel relax and happy with my teammates. I think that's what friendship is.

Thanks for the cooperation. We are all looking forward to see the result.

