

FRIENDS ARE FLOWERS IN THE GARDEN OF LIFE



To live a life without the experience of friendship, is life without living. Based on Webster's dictionary, the definition of a friend is "A person whom one knows, likes and trusts". But what are the traits of a good friend?

Who can be the shoulder to lean on? Who else can it be if it's not a friend. A friend will always be a loyal listener. We can just pour our heart out to them without fearing that our secrets will be leaked. Yes, that's it! A friend who is trustworthy will never let us down as they will never bend the truth. Hence, that is the most important trait we should seek for in a friend.



Friends can be really sarcastic and may not always see eye to eye but that is why straightforwardness is important in any relationship. Lack of straightforwardness will make a friendship a superficial one. Thus, straightforwardness is essential for a long-lasting friendship.

Having friends who inspire us will help us to break our limits. They will boost our morale and give us extra confidence that we need to complete something as the lack of morale and confidence has been the difference between success and failure. So, having an inspirational friend will always bring us to the right path to continue our journey of life. Indeed, true friends are the ones who are willing to go the extra mile for one another. Therefore, having an inspirational friend will be a massive advantage for us in our every day effort that we put on to tackle the challenges that we come across in our life.

In a nutshell, these are the qualities to look for in a friend. Friendship is indeed among the gems of the life in this world. Each friendship offers something totally unique and irreplaceable. Therefore, be grateful for those who share your happiness, gave you a shoulder to cry on and be there for you during the toughest of times as Baltasar Gracian once said, "*Friendship multiplies the good of life and divides the evil*".

"Friendship is the hardest thing in the world to explain. It's not something you learn in school. But if you haven't learned the meaning of friendship, you really haven't learned anything".

Muhammad Ali

