

Friends



☎ Dialogue

A. What kind of qualities do you look for in your friends?

B. I like people who are open and friendly. Those people are usually more active and fun to be with. I like spending time with my friends. We go to bars together or play sports.

A. I don't like to make friends with people who aren't honest. Honesty is very important to me.

B. I think it's important to most people. The problem is that you can usually only find out if someone is honest by getting to know them.

A. You can find out from their friends

B. If you know any of their friends. You can't rely on your friends to introduce people to you all the time. You have to go out and make the first move sometimes. I also like funny people.

A. Oh, I don't. They don't seem to take anything seriously. You never know when they are joking and when they are being serious.



English Teachers On Call

B. Sometimes it can be hard to tell, but if you know the person fairly well, you can usually see from their expression what they are really thinking.

A. It seems that we generally like different kinds of people. How is it that we are such good friends?

B. Maybe people don't like to have friends that are all the same. Most people like a little variety in their lives, including a variety of characteristics in their friends.

● Useful expressions

1. I hope he's not still mad at me.
2. He probably thought that I mistrusted him.
3. What kind of qualities do you look for in your friends?
4. Those people are usually more active and fun to be with.
5. You can't rely on your friends to introduce people to you all the time.
6. You have to go out and make the first move sometimes.
7. How is it that we are such a good friends?

● Vocabularies

Mate – Bring two objects, ideas, or people together

Example: "Matchmaker, can you mate my daughter with a nice young man?"

Pal – A close friend who accompanies his buddies in their activities

Example: "you're my pal!"



English Teachers On Call

Buddy – Be friendly towards someone; become friends with someone

Example: “we’re buddies!”

Schoolmate – An acquaintance that you go to school with

Example: "He told on his schoolmate who had cheated on the exam"

Acquaintance– Personal knowledge or information about someone or something

Example: "I have trouble remembering the names of all my acquaintances"

☺ Phrases

- ◆ Make friends with
- ◆ Get to know
- ◆ Introduce
- ◆ Drift apart
- ◆ Fall out