

A red and white Volkswagen Type 2 van is parked on a dirt road in a tropical setting. The van is facing left, and its license plate reads 'AM 8110'. The background is filled with lush greenery, including tall palm trees and dense foliage. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day. The van has a white upper body and a red lower body, with a white roof and a red stripe running along the side. The license plate is white with black text.

Topic

Conversation for Intermediates

C2

A group of four hikers are posing in a mountainous landscape. In the center, a man in a dark blue t-shirt and black shorts is being playfully pushed or pulled by a woman with blonde hair and sunglasses. To his left, another man in a plaid shirt and white t-shirt is smiling. In the foreground, a woman with long dark hair is partially visible, wearing a striped shirt and a backpack. The background features steep, rocky mountains and a cable car with the number 20. A yellow semi-transparent box is overlaid on the left side of the image.

**Describe
the picture.**



Today's Topic

Friends

A friend is a person you know well and who you like a lot but who is usually not a member of your family.

TARGET LANGUAGE

In this lesson, we will learn to **talk about friends**:

- learn words/expressions/phrases related to the topic;
- make sentences related to the topic;
- answer questions and share ideas related to the topic.

Key phrases:

mutual friend
circle of friends
childhood friend
fair-weather
closest friends

Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

1. James is a **mutual friend** of ours.

Q1: Do you make friends easily?

Q2: What's the best way to make new friends?



Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

2. Few people do yoga in my **circle of friends**.

Q1. What characteristics do you look for when making friends?

Q2. What is something common between you and your circle of friends?



I Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

3. You have to meet my **childhood friend**.

Q1. Tell me about your childhood friend that
you are still connected with today.

Q2. What do you often love doing together?



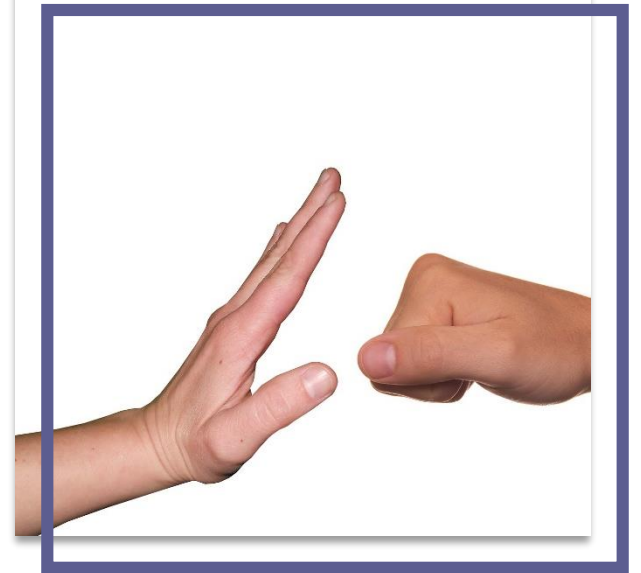
Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

4. I don't need **fair-weather** friends.

Q1. How do you deal with fair-weather friends?

Q2. What should you do to avoid having this kind of friend?



I Key Sentences

Read and share your opinions.

5. One of my **closest friends** is getting married this weekend.

Q1. Describe one of your closest friends.

Q2. What would you do/feel if your best friend betrayed you?



Vocabulary

Sum up and make sentences with the words.



mutual friend

friend that you and another person have in common that is, both of you know those people



circle of friends

a number of close friends who usually do things together as a group.



childhood friend

a friend since you were a child

fair-weather friend

a type of person who only wants to be your friend when things are going well for you



closest friend

friend that is very close to you, you know that person very well and vice versa



Vocabulary Check

Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

circle of friends

fair-weather

closest friend

mutual friends

childhood friend

1. My _____ will be travelling to Europe soon.
2. _____ friends are not for keeps.
3. Now that I'm in the city, I don't often see my _____ who lives in my hometown.
4. Carol introduced me to her friends and we discovered we have _____.
5. James is my _____. He's been there on my ups and downs.

Review

Fill in the blanks with the given letter.

A friend is defined as someone you like a lot but is usually not a member of your family; but we can treat him like one, whether he is our **c** 1 or new friend. The world is very wide, so we have a chance to make friends. Explore and meet new people, or if you're lucky, you and your peer might have **m** 2. However, friends are not about the quantity but the quality. Value matters over numbers.

In our **c** 3, we can share the same interests, hobbies, and even goals in life. A true friend is not **f** 4. Our **c** 5 should be willing to stick with us through thick and thin. They are for keeps.

Free Talk

Talk about the four types of friends and answer the questions.

Four Types of Friends

- ❑ **Must friend:** a best friend; a person you count on when something big happens in your life
- ❑ **Trust friend:** a friend who shows integrity, someone you feel comfortable with, that you're always glad to see. Someone you'd like to be closer to if you had the time or opportunity
- ❑ **Rust friend:** a person you've known for a long, long time; you're probably not going to get any closer to that person unless something changes, but a part of your life
- ❑ **Just friends:** a person you see — at a weekly poker game, at your child's school — who is an enjoyable company, but you have no desire to socialize outside or to get to know that person better

Q1: What type of friends do you mostly have right now?

Q2: Do you have a trust friend? Describe him/ her.

Q3: What true friendship means to you?

Free Talk

Think about the question and share your opinions.

How do we maintain a good friendship?

Should do

- Push each other up

- _____

- _____



Should never do

- Be jealous of what they have

- _____

- _____

