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AT SCHOOL: RELATIONSHIPS

The second world or circle—the world of the school—is larger than the home circle. The school is not a more important world, but it is a different world. In school the Christian will find new experiences and new friends. School presents new *challenges* and new *temptations*, but it is a good place to be a happy and useful Christian.

Here is your goal for this lesson:

- Describe Christian relationships with friends at school

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VOCABULARY

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	challenge	Something that commands attention or arouses interest.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	cultivate	To help to grow, improve or develop.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	envy	A feeling of discontent, dislike, or desire because another person has what one wants.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	jealousy	Dislike or fear of rivals.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	temptation	Anything which attracts strongly, especially for a wrong purpose.



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LOVING OTHERS AND MAKING FRIENDS

Read 1 John 4:7-11.

Love must be the basis of every relationship. You were saved because of God's love in Christ, and He wants you to show that love to others at your school.

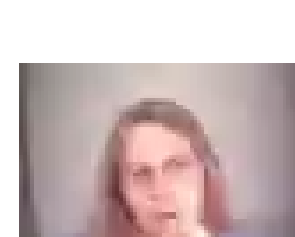
Enemies of love. People you interact with in life may feel *hatred*, *envy*, *jealousy*, and *bitterness* at times. Proverbs 10:12 states, Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins. Have there been times when more love on your part could have stopped the arguments and fighting among classmates? Have there been times when your attitude was part of the hating and fighting?



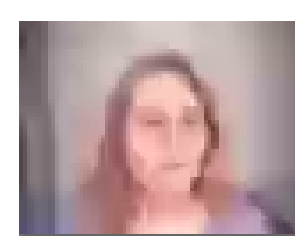
The Bible teaches us that envy is as bad as hatred and anger. Proverbs 27:4 says, Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy? Students often become jealous and resentful because someone else has nicer clothes, makes better grades, or wins awards in sports. This attitude not only hurts the one who envies, but destroys the relationship among friends. Envy causes such bad feelings that God said (Proverbs 14:30) that man's envy is the rottenness of his bones.

The Christian student is commanded to love others, even enemies. Jesus said, But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you, (Matthew 5:44). Boys and girls often choose special friends who will understand them and with whom they can share ideas. God's love, however, must be shared with everyone.

Christian friends. The Christian student must choose close friends very carefully. Friends influence your behavior and the relationship you have with the Lord. The best friends are those who can be helpful to your spiritual life. When God provides Christian friends, He gives great blessing. We should learn to avoid companionships that are spiritually harmful.



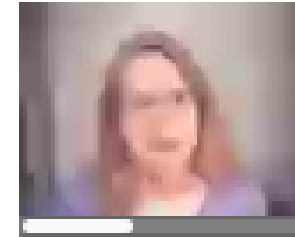
Avoiding harmful companionships does not mean that a Christian student should avoid non-Christians. God wants His children to be kind and loving and helpful to everyone. Often this love and helpfulness can show others your faith and be a testimony to them for the Lord. God gives warnings to us about letting other people influence us. Remember Proverbs 1:10: My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.



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Making friends.

The Bible gives this advice in Proverbs 13:20: He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed. God also tells us how to get friends, how to be a good friend, and how friends can help us in our Christian lives. Proverbs 18:24 teaches that, A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. The Bible reminds us also that, A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity (Proverbs 17:17) A real friend loves in good times and bad, during the times of fun and the times of trouble. A good Christian friend will help when we need him, just like the Lord Jesus Christ who is always faithful to us.



Sometimes a good friend will give advice that may hurt, but will be the best for us. Proverbs 27:6 states, Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful. Your advice and help to your friends should be honest and kind.

Good friends, especially good Christian friends, are important to us for fellowship and for help in special times of testing and trials. The Apostle Paul, when he was in prison, wrote to Timothy: Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. (2 Timothy 4:9-11). Paul was lonely and wanted close friends near him to strengthen him and to share in his trials. God has made you with this desire for friendship, and you should *cultivate* this desire.

Question #1 Text/MultipleChoice

Show Answer

should be the basis of relationships between ourselves and others.

Question #2 MultipleChoice

Show Answer

All of the following are attitudes discussed that destroy relationships among students except for:

- envy
- hate
- jealousy
- cooperation

Question #3 Paragraph

Answer Key

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Why is it good to have close friends?

Question #4 Paragraph

Answer Key

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Explain how the Christian should treat non-Christian students at school.

Question #5 MultipleSelect

Show Answer

Select some of the Christian's responsibilities to friends in school.

- give help
- don't hurt their feelings, even if you have to lie
- be envious of them
- give advice
- be there when needed

Question #6 Matching

Show Answer

Match these items.

1. the basic characteristic	<input type="checkbox"/> a friend
2. rottenness of the bones	<input type="checkbox"/> to be chosen carefully
3. friends	<input type="checkbox"/> an enemy of love
4. hatred	<input type="checkbox"/> love
5. loves at all times	<input type="checkbox"/> envy

Help