

Recognizing Characteristics of Friendship

1. Distribute a piece of paper and a writing utensil to each child.
2. Have the children write their names at the top of their papers.
3. Have the children sit in a circle on the floor.
4. Explain that they are going to pass the paper around the circle.
5. Explain that each person will write every paper. They will write what characteristics they recognize in their classmates that make them good friends.
6. Be sure the children understand that they may only write positive comments!
7. When they have finished writing, give the children time to read all the comments on their papers.
8. You might like to regulate the passing of the paper by timing the children and asking them to pass the paper all at once to the right when you say, "Pass."

