



Be slow to fail into thiendship; but when you are in, continue firm and constant. — Socrates

Getting Started

Read the following excerpt from a poem on friendship. Do you agree with the poet? What is your understanding of friendship?

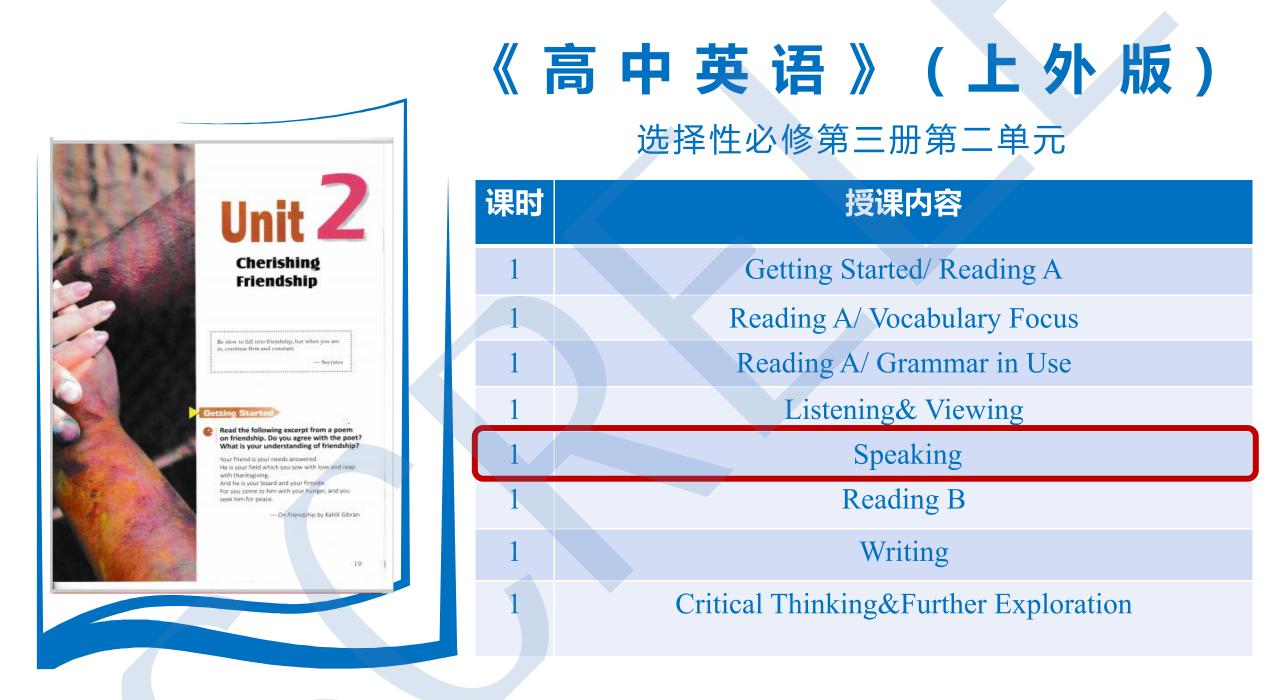
Your friend is your needs answered. He is your field which you sow with love and reap with thanksgiving. And he is your board and your fireside. For you come to him with your hunger, and you seek him for peace.

- On Friendship by Kahlil Gibran

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学习目标 Learning Objectives:

At the end of the lesson, you will be able to ...

1. 能在访谈中识别并运用三种不同的表达方式转述或解释他人观点; identify and apply the three speaking strategies of paraphrasing;

2. 能就友谊主题进行完整访谈;
 conduct a complete interview on friendship;

3. 能从自我的视角对友谊形成更深的理解。 formulate a deeper understanding of friendship from personal perspectives.

Is that an interview?

Q1: What is your concept of true friendship? \downarrow

A: True friendship is having faith in someone, respecting the person from the bottom of our heart, and helping the person whenever he or she is in need. \downarrow

A: How do you usually spend time with your friends? B: Sometimes we meet, talk and play together. I like to listen to my friends, but I don't like to give them advice because I don't want to change them. A: Let me put it in another way: you don't like to give them suggestions but listen to them while talking and playing together. **B:** Exactly. I prefer listening to giving ideas. A: Do you mean that you are a good listener, and not bossy or controlling? change the order **B:** I think so. of the ideas/ words change the word/ use synonyms grammatical form for some words/ expressions

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Q2: Did you usually have a lot of good friends or few close friends?

A: Actually, I don't have many friends. Only a few who are selfish and mix with me only when they need something from me. I'm in search of a good friend...and I think it'll never end. (sigh) \downarrow Q3: Did you fight often with your close friends? \downarrow

A: No. I don't fight with the few number of friends I have. \downarrow

Q4: Can you go out of your way to help your friends? 🗠

A: There is a saying "A friend in need is a friend indeed", so if we want good friends, then we also should be good to them and help them whenever they are in need. Otherwise, if we ourselves fall into trouble, then who will help our friends? ↓

Self-introduction

purpose

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A: True friendship is having faith in someone, respecting the person from the bottom of our heart, and helping the person whenever he or she is in need. \downarrow

gratitude

Checklist

- Does my interview include a beginning to brief introduce myself and the interview purpose?
- Does my interview include an ending to show my gratitude to my interviewee?
- **Do I check the interviewee's answer through the paraphrasing strategy of:**
 - changing the order of the ideas/ words
 - changing the word/ grammatical form
 - using synonyms for some words/ expressions?

- A: Hello, may I have an interview with you on friendship? B: Sure.
- A: Thank you very much. My name is Emma. Nice to meet you! B: I am Jason. Nice to meet you too.
- A: May I ask if you were another person, would you like to make friends with yourself? Why?
- B: Of course, YES! I am a very easy-going person, always ready to lend a helping hand to people around. You can always count on me when you meet with difficulties.
- A: In other words, you always help people and have a nice temper. B: Right. I am a reliable friend.
- A: Thank you for taking this interview. It's nice to chat with you. B: My pleasure.

What's their view on friendship?

In my interviewee's opinion, he is a good friend to make, because his character is easy-going, reliable and he always helps people around him no matter what difficulties they encounter.

Assignments

 Upload the recording of a group interview on friendship to the Wechat group.
 Sum up the views on friendship of another group and comment on the effectiveness of the interview.

Thank you!