

UNIT 13: Friends and Family

Part 1: Describe the Picture



Part 2: Reading and Vocabulary

People make friends in many different kinds of places. Most colleagues at work are just acquaintances but some people become friends if they get on well with each other. Friends have a lot in common, for example, they like the same music or they both like football. Nowadays friends keep in touch by phone, text or e-mail.

Some people have many relatives, such as uncles, aunts or cousins. When people marry, their partner's family is called the in-laws.

When a man and a woman get along well together, they sometimes become boyfriend and girlfriend. If they don't get along well, they can quarrel and split up with each other.

Part 3: Match the Vocabulary

	have a good relationship
	have the same interests
	someone you work with
	someone related to you
	someone you just know
	separate
	argue/fight
	someone related through marriage
	contact regularly
	your uncle's/aunt's child

Part 4: Fill in the gaps with the correct form from the new words above

- 1) They both like sports, music and dancing. They _____.
- 2) The man was one of his _____ from work.
- 3) The couple had a big quarrel and _____.
- 4) He wasn't a friend: just an _____.
- 5) They rarely argue. They both _____ each other.
- 6) Susan _____ with her boss and lost her job.
- 7) She went to visit her _____ John at her uncle's house.
- 8) He has ten cousins and twenty uncles and aunts. He has many _____.
- 9) Tom usually _____ by e-mail.
- 10) Sam was pleased to finally meet his father _____.

Part 5: Ask and answer with your partner:

- 1) How many people are there in your family?
- 2) Who do you **get on** most **with** in your family?
- 3) How often do you spend time with your family?
- 4) Do you have any **in-laws**?
- 5) How many **cousins** do you have?
- 6) Who is your favourite **relative**?
- 7) What are the advantages and disadvantages of living with your family?
- 8) Do you have many friends from abroad?
- 9) What do you **have in common with** your friends?
- 10) How often do you meet your friends?
- 11) What kind of person do you get on most with?
- 12) How do you **keep in touch** with your friends in your country?
- 13) Who is your best friend?
- 14) Have you ever become good friends with a **colleague** from work?
- 15) What is the difference between a friend and an **acquaintance**?
- 16) When was the last time you had a **quarrel** with someone?
- 17) At what age do people usually get married in your country?
- 18) What do you think is the best age to get married?
- 19) Do many married couples **split up** in your country?
- 20) What kind of reasons do couples split up?
- 21) How old were you when you had your first boyfriend/girlfriend?

Extension: write 4 questions about this topic to ask your partner.

- 22)
- 23)
- 24)
- 25)

Part 6: Write the Questions to these Answers

- 1) _____ ?
I work with seven colleagues.
- 2) _____ ?
No, he is just an acquaintance.
- 3) _____ ?
Yes, I get on well with most people.
- 4) _____ ?
She has most in common with her brother.
- 5) _____ ?
The best way to keep in touch is by e-mail.
- 6) _____ ?
No, I don't have any relatives living in this country.
- 7) _____ ?
He has six cousins.
- 8) _____ ?
Yes, I have many in-laws.
- 9) _____ ?
The last time I quarrelled with anyone was last week.
- 10) _____ ?
They split up because they didn't have much in common.