• Is it important to have friends?

Yes, it's very important to have friends. If you don't have friends... life can be boring / you feel lonely / you have no one to share experiences with / have fun with. Having friends is important, but it's not as important as family. I think having friends is not the most important thing in the world.

What (qualities) do you look for in a friend?

A friend is someone who... is loyal / you can trust / is kind / is caring / is fun to be with / is interesting / is helpful / is reliable / is understanding / likes me for who I am / has the same interests as me. A real friend is someone you can... argue with and it doesn't matter / talk to about anything without them judging you / depend on in an emergency. I don't like people who are selfish / unkind / thoughtless / mean / uncaring / boring.

Do you find it easy to make new friends?

I do / don't find it easy to make friends. I... am a shy person so it's hard for me to get to know new people / don't like being in a big group where I don't know anyone / prefer having one or two really close friends. I... like meeting people / enjoy talking to strangers / like hanging out with a big group of friends.

• Where do you find and meet friends?

Normally I meet friends at school or through other people. Sometimes I meet new friends... at parties / when I go out / at an after-school club / doing an after-school hobby. I... play tennis / play football / go to a dance club and meet people there. I meet people online who have the same interests as me.

• How often do you meet friends online and how often in person?

I see my friends every day at school and we sometimes meet after school as well, to... go to after-school clubs / hang out. I meet my friends every weekend to... go to the cinema / go to parties / play football / go dancing. I only have time to meet my friends... while at school / during holidays / at weekends. I chat online to my friends... every night / all the time / once a week / only at weekends. It's important to see friends in person, not just online. I meet my friends in person and online; it's the same. I only meet my friends online as I don't have time to see friends after school.

Do you use social networking sites to keep in touch or make new friends?

Yes, I use social networking sites. No, I don't have a Facebook account. I... use my Facebook account all the time / hardly ever use Facebook / never use social networking sites. I have lots of friends online /

I am only friends with people I know offline / I have hundreds of online friends. I think it's... a good way to meet new people / a great way of keeping in touch with lots of people that you might not be able to meet up with / a good way of meeting people from around the country / the world. I think it's... important to only have friends online that you know offline / safer to know people in person first.

• What is more important, family or friends?

I think... family is the most important thing / they will always be there for you / your family is part of who you are. It depends on... how close you are to your family / whether you get on with your family. Sometimes your family... don't care about you / treat you badly and so friends become really important. As you get older you might have more in common with your friends than your family.

Do you get on with your family?

I... get on really well with / like my family. I... don't get on well with / hate / have a difficult relationship with my family. I get on well with my grandparents but not my parents / brother / sister. My siblings and I are very close. I argue a lot with my parents. I don't see my extended family, like my grandparents / cousins / aunts / uncles very much.

• What can you tell me about your family?

I live with my parents / in a nuclear family with my mum, dad and brother / sister. My parents are... still together / separated / divorced. I have a stepmother / stepfather / stepbrothers / stepsisters. I live in an extended family. I live with my grandparents. My brother / sister is... younger / older than me / has already moved away to live on his / her own.

What do you look for in a partner?

She / he has to... be friendly / have a nice smile / be kind / be trustworthy / be fun / be intelligent / be good looking / be a nice person / be someone who can make me laugh / be someone romantic. I look for someone... with whom I have lots in common / who is the opposite of me. I don't want anyone who... is unkind / rude / mean / cheats / is not supportive.

Do you think you'll settle down with a partner / have a family?

Yes, one day. I'd like to eventually have a family and children. It's important to me. I don't want to... be married / be in a relationship / have children. I see how many problems it causes. I want to be independent. I'm too young to think about... having a long-term partner / getting married / having children. I want to travel / have fun / have a career / go to university / do other things first.