

Excitedly, (5) a group of Abbott's teammates started running out to surround the hero. But Abbott chose to do something else first. He ran up to the other side, and wrapped his arms around Kocon. He gave him a long hug before (6) running slowly with him toward the edge of the field. (7) Only then did he join his cheering teammates to continue the celebration of winning the hard and difficult game.

Abbott and Kocon have been friends and played baseball together since childhood, and that life-long friendship shines through in this touching moment.

The video has been popular nowadays because we all love seeing beautiful moments. (8) Be thankful for the warmth of pure humanity, no matter who we are or where we come from.

(1) main opinion

(2) muscle

(3) resulted

(4) fact

(5) a stack of

(6) crawling

(7) Only did he join his cheering teammates

(8) Be grateful with warmth of pure humanity

Section B Read the passage about a long friendship and complete the tasks.

Task 1. Complete the passage by using the words/phrases in the box. Each word/phrase can only be used once. Note that there are two words/phrases more than you need.

abandoned

bear

~~cherish~~

crowded

~~gestures~~

gratitude

~~hang out~~

help out

~~maturity~~

quality

~~underestimate~~

tear

My Longest Friendship

We always say family first and that friends come and go. I believe that friendship is just as precious as family and that when you find the right friends, it is essential to (1) cherish them as you would do to your family.

Some friendships definitely come and go but others are made to last long and I will tell you exactly about that kind of friendship, the one that would last and inspire and always (2) help out. And it truly convinced me that it is one of the most beautiful and amazing things a human being can experience.



I share about 22 years of friendship with my friends. I am enjoying the 22 years with (3) friendship which has played a big part in strengthening and fulfilling our relationship.

At 9 years old, we played "freeze tag" in my parents' backyard. At 13, we would (4) hang out at weekends and have pajama parties. At 16, we would share our learning materials and watch our favourite series. At 22, we would prepare our papers and attend college graduation ceremony together.

Today we listen to one another. We are still familiar with the small (5) features of each other. We organise vacations and we even continue our pajama parties. During the tough moments, we inspire and encourage each other. We spend a lot of (6) time together even though we live miles apart because ... friendship!

But often, throughout a woman's life, the transformation from childhood to teenage life and then into young adulthood, the depth of (7) maturity can have a significant impact not only on the physical aspect but on the mental aspect as well; and we can't (8) underestimate its negative influence on certain friendships during these "peak periods" of a woman's life, whether it be the areas of interest that change, the studies, the weddings and births etc. During these important times in life some friendships can become fragile, can break, can be (9) abandoned with time because perhaps not enough time was spent taking care of these relationships.

My longest friendship isn't by chance, but more the product of total self-giving, mutual willingness to (10) bear the duty of tending to the friendship without allowing those life hazards to get in the way. Whether you have one, two, three or a group of 10 inseparable friends, it is essential to take care of these friendships.

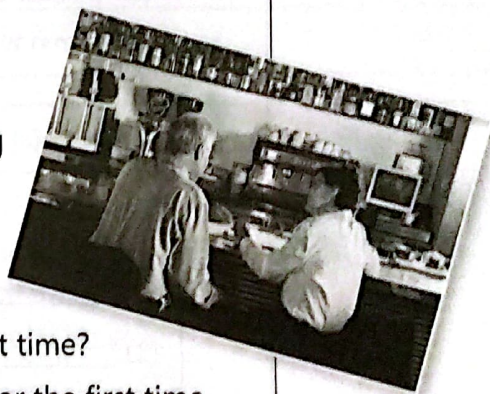
Task 2. Read again and complete the summary. Use the words in the passage if necessary.

The author's longest friendship has lasted for 22 years, which started when they both were 9 years old. The author is enjoying the 22 years with (1) her friend. However, due to (2) the transformation from childhood to teens and the deepening of (3) maturity, they don't have enough time (4) to take care of friends. As a result, during the important times in the author's life, the friendship has become (5) a lifelong abandoned relationship. Therefore, to maintain a friendship, the author believes that they need to (6) take care of their these friends.

Task 3. Share with your classmates your longest friendship and how you have maintained it.

LISTENING AND VIEWING

Section A Mary Smith and Brian Miller have long been friends. How did their friendship start? Listen to their conversation and answer the questions.



- How did Mary feel when she talked to Brian for the first time?
She _____ when she talked to Brian for the first time.
- Why did Brian leave Kentucky?
He left Kentucky as a musician to _____.
- Why would Mary like to paint a portrait for Brian?
Brian was the first person to _____.
- How did Brian feel when he had the first album recorded?
He was uncertain about his album, but he was glad to _____.
- What did Mary learn from Brian?

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1. It is estimated that the freshmen ^{who} dropped out ~~of the~~ ^{of the school} has decreased ~~by~~ ^{20%} in the last recent years.
2. When it comes to charity, the more you know it, ~~you~~ ^{the} more you are likely to ~~involved~~ ^{be} in it.
3. Such a ^{thoughtful} considerate and generous friend is she ^{that} you should ~~treat~~ ^{cherish} this friendship for your whole life.
4. Not until he was selected as the speaker of the graduation ceremony did he ~~come~~ ^{supposed to say} to nervous about what to say.
5. Hearing of my a complaint of the services, the manager first seemed ~~to be~~ ^{to be} to be offended but ended ^{up} with ~~thankness~~ and decided ~~to~~ ^{to} develop the services. ^{gratitude}

- 2) the distance from the top or surface to the bottom of sth. 深(度); 纵深
107 people can stay at the depth of 480 meters for 3 months in the submarine.

潜水艇

23. underestimate v. 低估: 对.....估计不足

Never underestimate the power of true friendship to help you grow happily.
永远不要低估真正的友谊, 它能助你快乐成长。

[A] overestimate 高估.

estimate v. 估计; 估价; 估算

at a rough estimate
粗略估计 / roughly estimated

It is said / reported / thought / believed / estimated that

= sb be said / reported / thought / believed / estimated to do

Translation

1. 据估计, 在过去的几年中大一新生辍学的人数下降了 20%。(estimate)

It is estimated that the freshmen who dropped out of the school has decreased by 20% in the past few years.

2. 谈到慈善事业, 你对它了解得越多, 你就越有可能参与其中。(come, involve)

When it comes to charity, the more you know about it, the more you are likely to be involved in it.

3. 她是如此善解人意又慷慨大方的朋友, 你要终身珍视这份友谊。(Such...)

Such a considerate and generous friend is she that you should cherish this friendship for your whole life.

4. 直到他被选为毕业典礼的演讲者, 他才开始紧张自己要说什么。(Not, select)

Not until he was selected as the speaker of the graduation ceremony that he had begun to be nervous about what to say.

5. 听到我对服务的抱怨后, 起初经理似乎受到了冒犯, 但最终对此表达了谢意并决定改进服务。(seem, end v.)

After hearing my complaint about the services, the manager seemed offended at first but finally expressing his gratitude and decided to improve the services. Ended up with deciding