SUPER LEARNER WORKBOOK

MODULE: Friends

Welcome to the Super Learner Workbook!

- The WORKBOOK activities will help you learn more in the course. The activities will *accelerate* your learning speed.

- Use the WORK BOOK *after* you watch each video episode once.

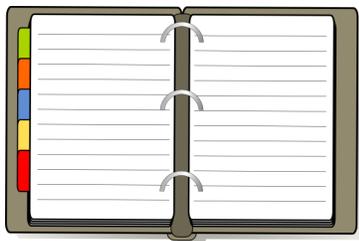- Also, use this workbook – OR use a separate paper notebook – to write your Journal Entries.

STUDY TIP:
Use the SuperLearner course every day – for just 20-30 minutes a day. Try

to finish one episode per day. There are 4 episodes in each module. When you finish a module, go back and repeat each episode one time.

EPISODE 1:

Journal Entry 1.1

Directions: Write for 10 minutes. If you want feedback, post your answers to the Lingual.net [Super Learner Group](#).

Why are you taking this Super Learner course?

What is your motivation for improving your English?

Listening:

Watch each interview two times. The first time you listen, don't take notes. Just try to understand the main ideas.

The second time you listen, take notes in your own notebook or use this Super Learner Workbook.

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Comprehension Questions:

1. Thanh says that she doesn't have many friends. What is her reason?

2. Why does Thanh say her friends need each other?

Reflection Questions:

1. Did you enjoy Thanh's interview? What did you like about this interview?

2. Are you similar to Thanh in any way? How?

Close Listening:

Listen to the video one more time. Fill in the missing parts of Thanh's answers.

1. Do I have a _____ of friends? I _____ have a lot of friends. _____ of my _____ . I'm a _____ person, so I don't just _____ up to _____ and say, "Hi, let's be friends!" or begin very _____ conversations like I know them. It takes a _____ because I guess I'm very _____ and I have high _____ when you call _____ friends.

2. How _____ do I see my _____ ? Most of the time would be _____ school time, or we have school clubs _____ , so that's the two only times I see my friends. After school, I _____ just go home, after _____ out with them.

3. Well, I have _____ significant … best friends. Their names are Han, Thi, and Ni. The _____ of us have been best friends for ten years. I live in the United States now, but I'm still in _____ with them.

4. When did we meet? During our _____ school. It's about ten years as I said. And we still have our _____ until now… In Vietnam we call that a _____ relationship" because it's more than ten years. It's like _____ forever.

5. So we're all _____ . We're the same ___age_____ . And we're very _____ for each other. We have differences and _____. For example, I'm very _____ language study. And Han is very into sales, she loves to sell _____ . And Thi, she loves to take pictures of _____ and post them on Instagram all the time. We need each other in order to find _____ in our lives.

Task:

Answer these questions about yourself — just a few words or one sentence.

1. Do you have a lot of friends?

2. How often do you see your friends?

3. Who is your best friend?

4. When did you meet?

5. Can you tell me about one of your friends?

EPISODE 2:
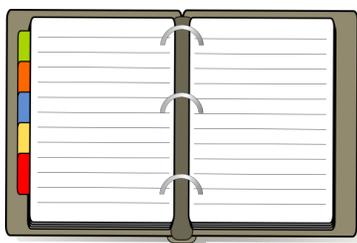
Journal Entry 1.2

Directions: Write for 10 minutes. If you want feedback, post your answers to the Lingual.net [Super Learner Group](.).

How do you learn English best? What kinds of experiences work best for you?

Listening:

Watch each interview two times. The first time you listen, just pay attention. Try to get the main ideas and the main attitudes of Andrio's answers. Watch him carefully. Listen for key words.
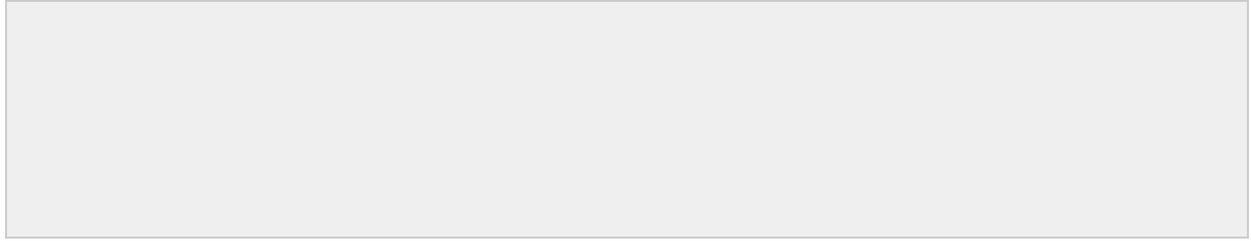
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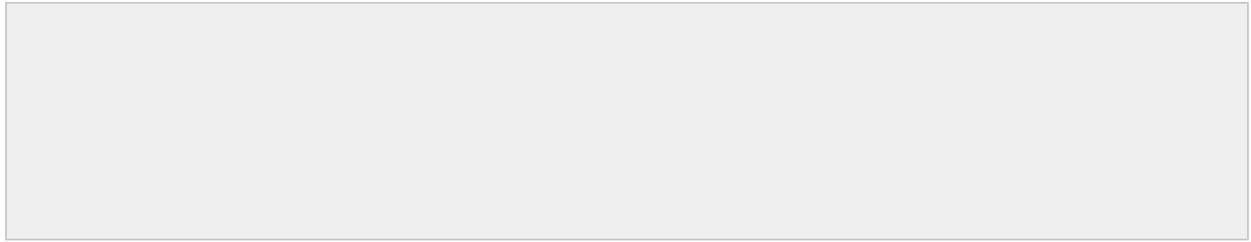
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Comprehension Questions:

1. How important are friends to Andrio?

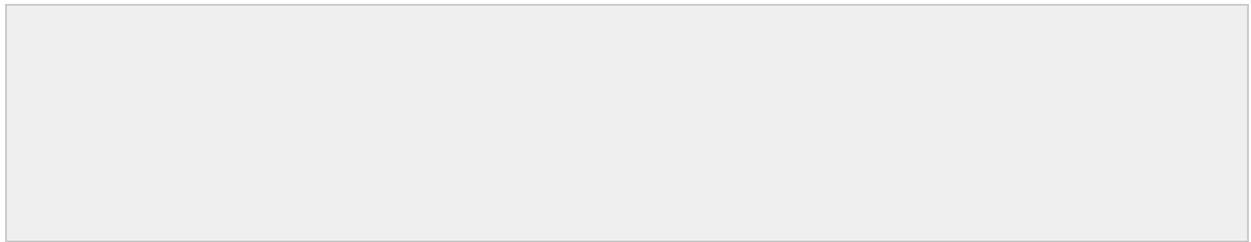2. Andrio and Alissa are different. In what ways?

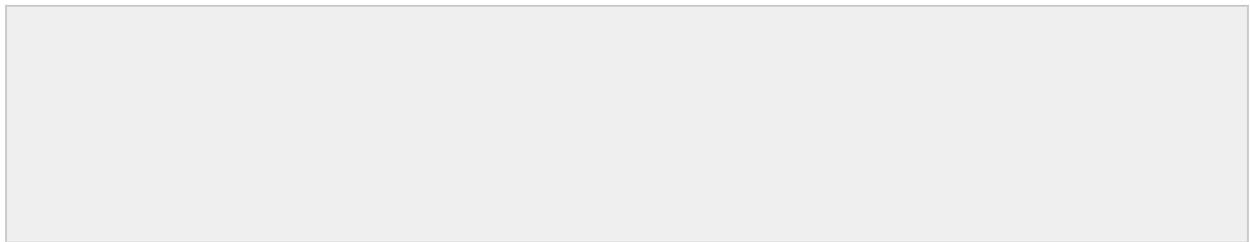3. Andrio says that "opposites attract sometimes." What does he mean?

Reflection Questions:

1. Did you enjoy Andrio's interview? What did you like about this interview?

2. Are you similar to Andrio in any way? How are you similar?

Close Listening:

Listen one more time. Fill in the missing parts of Andrio's answers:

1. Do I have a lot of friends? I do _____ . I love _____ friends. I love meeting _____ people. That's one of my _____ things to do.

2. How often? Every. Single. Day. I _____ live my life _____ seeing my friends. I love being _____ people, especially friends. So it's how I like to start my day, and how I like to _____ it.

3. There is one person I can name who comes off the top of my head. Her name is Alissa. She _____ Manila. I _____ her for a while, but we still stay very _____ to each other. And she'll _____ be my dear friend.

4. We actually met in school. I _____, in fifth grade, I used to sit _____ her. And she used to _____ me — she thought I was too talkative and _____. And up until now she'll still tell me I'm _____ annoying, but until seventh grade I hung out with her again, and she _____ I wasn't so bad. And there our friendship _____ on.

5. Tell you _____ her? Well, I could describe her many ways, but I could tell you: she's cold, she's a loner, and she _____ what she wants. And you know, these are all the _____ of me. So, I guess opposites _____ each other!
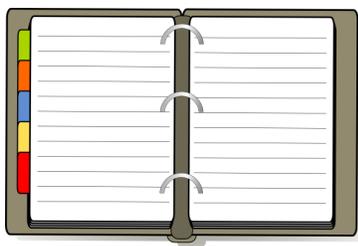
Journal Entry 1.3

Directions: Write for 10 minutes. If you want feedback, post your answers to the Lingual.net Super Learner Group.

Who is a person who has influenced you a lot in your life? Describe this person in detail. How did you meet? How did he or she impact you?

STUDY TIP:

Record your answers. You can use your phone or another recording device.

Compare your first answers with your second answers. Are your second answers longer? Are your second answers clearer? How?

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EPISODE 3:

Listening:

The first time you listen, predict what Haya will say. When she finishes her answers, try to summarize her main idea in your mind

The second time you listen, answer these questions.

Comprehension Questions:

1. Haya has lived in three different places. How has this affected her friendships?

2. How does she describe her friend Maya?

Reflection Questions:

1. Did you enjoy Haya's interview?

2. Which answer was most interesting to you?

3. Are you similar to Haya in any way? How are you similar?

4. Are you different from her in any way? How are you different?

Close Listening:

Listen one more time. Fill in the missing parts of Haya's answers.

1. Generally speaking, I think I can _____ I do. Um, I had a lot of friends _____ up back in Syria, and I grew up with them. And after I _____ here, I

did meet a lot of people that I _____ my friends. Everybody here is super, super _____ , so it was really _____ . And I do consider myself a _____ person and that made it _____ for me to make friends. So I do think I do have a lot of friends, but only a _____ that I consider my "close circle." So yeah.

2. How often?   Um, I don't really see my friends that I _____ back home – that's kind of _____ here. But I do try to text them and FaceTime them _____ I can. But for my friends here, I'm really like a _____ butterfly, so I do try to see them _____ a week if I can. So yeah, being with my friends is kind of _____ for me.

3. Who's my best friend? Hmm. So, I think I have two best friends. My first friend is Maya…Maya _____ lives in Saudi Arabia, which is where I moved after I was in Syria. We kind of grew up _____ , so I've known her _____ . And I still talk to her whenever I can, and it's like one of the _____ friendships I have. And my _____ best friend is Camille. Camille, I met sophomore year of high school. And we _____ right away. And she's always been _____ for me, and I've always been there for her. And we _____ a lot of the same dreams, and goals about _____ so we always talk about _____ plans together. So that's another one of the _____ relationships I have. So yeah, I think I can say I have two best friends.

4. I met Maya when I was _____ in Saudi Arabia. I don't really have an _____ date, but I know we met sometime, early in elementary school. And we've just _____ in each other's lives since. And even our parents are friends, which is really really really cool. And Camille, on the other hand, I met her in my _____ year of high school. We were both in the choir class _____ , because we both love singing. So that's where I met her, and we _____ connected, because we had so much in _____ .

5. I think I'll tell you more about Maya. Maya is like a sister to me. We _____ up
   together –   my house and my house was her house and her house was my house.
   She was really good at cooking, and I was…like she was _____ good at it, but I
   didn't like anything in the kitchen, so whenever we _____ out together at her
   house, we'd always cook s… whatever it might be, and I'd always _____ it up,
   and she was like super-super _____ and you know we'd _____ it off
   sometimes. And we made, we used to make a lot of YouTube videos but never like
   actually _____ them. And I went through a really _____ patch in middle
   school, because you know people were really _____ and she always _____
   up for me, and she is _____ one of the most _____ people ever. And so
   yeah we're really close, and even though I've moved away, you know, we're still
   really _____ friends. And even our names _____ – Maya and Haya –
   literally like a one letter difference. We always called each other like "H" and "M". It
   was kind of like our _____ code.
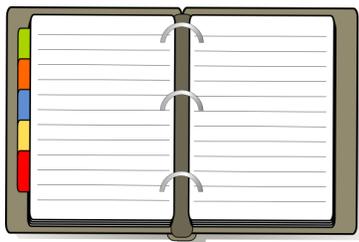
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Directions: Write for 10 minutes. If you want feedback, post
your answers to the Lingual.net [Super Learner Group](#).

Who is a friend that you miss? What do you remember about him or her? If you could
talk to him or her now, what would you say?

Reflection Questions:

Think about the 3 interviews.

1. What did you learn about Thanh?

2. What did you learn about Andrio?

3. What did you learn about Haya?
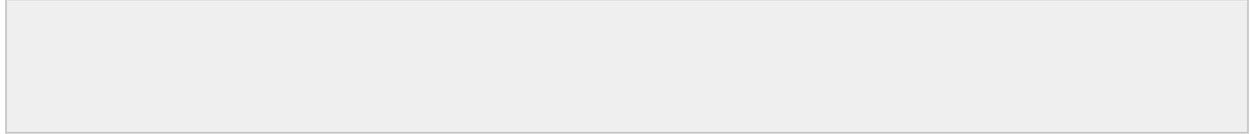
4. Which of the interviews impressed you most? Why?

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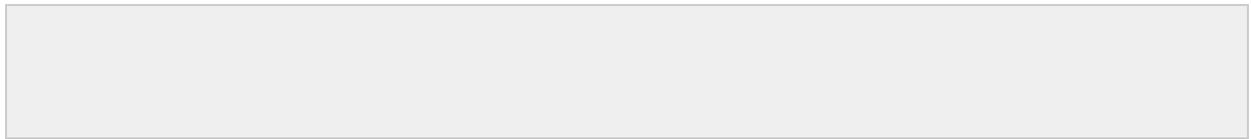
Now answer the questions about yourself:

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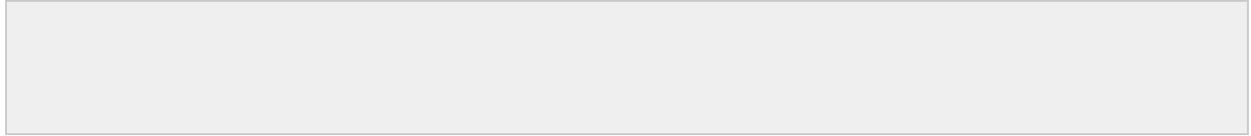
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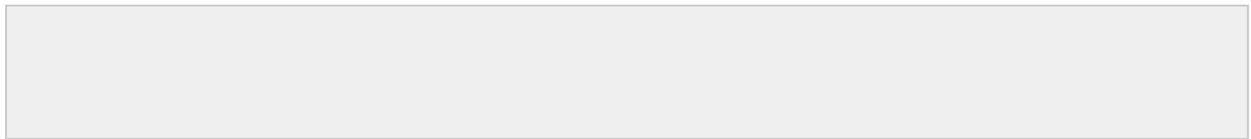
5. Tell us about one of your friends.
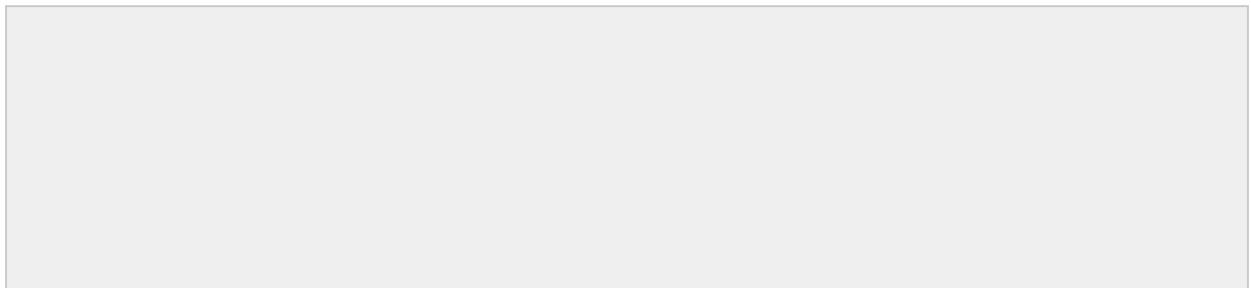
Write notes, then record your answers. Then, for extra practice, write out your responses.

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STUDY TIP:

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EPISODE 4:

Pronunciation: Linking sounds

Here are our target sentences for today's pronunciation skill practice:

1. I have a lot of friends.

2. I can't live without seeing my friends.

3. I guess opposites attract each other.

4. I love being around people.

5. We instantly connected because we had so much in common.

Do you understand how sound linking works in English? Here are some extra resources:

- https://pronuncian.com/introduction-to-linking
- https://englishspeaklikenative.com/phonemes-the-sounds-of-the-english/word-linking/

Grammar: Fluency Patterns

Here are our target sentences for today's grammar skill practice:

1. I love making friends.
2. I haven't seen Alissa in a while, but we're still very close.
3. My relationship with Maya is one of the strongest relationships I have.

4. I don't have a lot of friends because I'm shy.

5. We've known each other since high school.

Paraphrase each sentence in two different ways.

1. I love making friends.

   I love _____ make friends.

   _____ friends is _____ that I love to do.

2. I haven't seen her in a while, but we're still very close.

   _____ I haven't seen her in a while, _____ still very close.

   She and I are still very close _____ _____ we _____ seen each other in a while.

3. My relationship with her is one of the strongest friendships I have.

   I have a strong friendship with her. _____ _____ it's one of the _____ friendships I have.

   _____ of all of my relationships, my friendship with her _____ one of the _____.

4. I don't have a lot of friends because I'm shy.

   I don't have a lot of friends _____ _____ my _____.

The _____ that I don't have a lot of friends is _____ I'm _____.

5. We've known each other since high school.

We've _____ each other _____ 10 years.

We _____ in high school. We've _____ each other _____ then.

Do you understand the grammar? Review the grammar rules here:

- https://www.really-learn-english.com/cleft-sentences.html
- https://www.espressoenglish.net/5-types-of-english-verb-verb-combinations/
- https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us/grammar/british-grammar/although-or-though
- http://www.onestopenglish.com/grammar/grammar-reference/adjectives/comparative-and-superlative-adjectives-article/144846.article
- https://www.englishgrammar.org/because-and-because-of-2/
- https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us/grammar/british-grammar/present-perfect-simple-i-have-worked?q=Present+perfect+simple%3A+uses

Vocabulary: Friends

Here are our target expressions.

- Picky
- Expectations
- Hang out with

- Significant

- Talkative

- Annoying

- Grow up

- Count on

- Socialite

- Connect
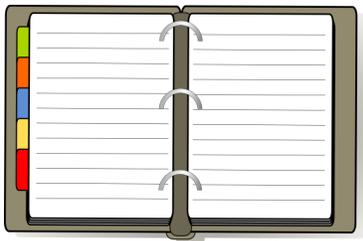
Practice and test yourself at:

https://quizlet.com/454906169/super-learner-b1-b2-friends-vocabulary-flash-cards/

General Expressions:

- I guess

- Actually

- Kind of + *Adjective*

- Be into something

- Jump to mind

- Stay close to someone

- Be there for someone

- Consider myself a + *Noun*

- Social butterfly

- Know someone forever

Practice and test yourself at:

https://quizlet.com/454915176/view-screen?redir=%2F454915176%2Fsuper-learner-b1-b2-friends-expressions-flash-cards%2F

Journal Entry 1.5

Which skill is easiest for you in learning English — grammar, vocabulary, or pronunciation? How do you learn this skill best? Do you have any secrets or strategies that you can share with other language learners? What secrets would you like to discover? Write for 10 minutes.