

Do you have a best friend? In this film, David talks about his relationship with his best mate Neil.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the film and do the exercises below to check your understanding. You can read the transcript at any time.



Preparation: matching

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–j next to the numbers 1–10.

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| 1..... | secondary school | a. friend |
| 2..... | tell someone off | b. a school for very young children aged 3–5 |
| 3..... | mate | c. a school for children aged 8–11 |
| 4..... | get into trouble | d. a school for children aged 11–16 |
| 5..... | blame someone for something | e. when someone often gets angry |
| 6..... | nursery school | f. do something wrong and be punished for it |
| 7..... | have a bad temper | g. when a teacher or parent tells someone that they have done something wrong |
| 8..... | nasty | h. say someone is responsible for something |
| 9..... | junior school | i. spend time with someone |
| 10..... | hang around with someone | j. horrible or not nice |

1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | David liked Neil as soon as he met him at nursery school. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | His teachers saw that Neil was different to other children at nursery school. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | David didn't like Neil's behaviour in class when they were at school. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Neil didn't want to go to the park with the girls at school. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | When David got into trouble at school, Neil stayed with him and also got into trouble. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | At junior school Neil's behaviour got better. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

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| 7. | When they went to secondary school, Neil told David they would always be best friends. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 8. | At secondary school Neil had special classes to help him. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 9. | Neil's reading got better at secondary school. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 10. | On the day of the big race, David's friends were nice to Neil. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

2. Check your understanding: grouping

Write the sentences in the correct group and say who the information refers to: David, Neil or David and Neil.

Runs around the classroom at junior school	Plays with toys at nursery school	Talks to girls at junior school	Gets into trouble at junior school
Goes to a special class at secondary school	Tells the story	Runs in the big race	Holds his mum's hand outside nursery school

Neil	David	David and Neil