A friendship is a relationship with a person who is not normally part of your family, but you have an important connection with them. You trust them, and you want the best for them. I think true friendship is about love and support.

I recently saw a video that showed a perfect example of true friendship. Two friends, Ace Bourke and John Rendall, bought a lion named Christian from a department store. John and Ace played with Christian, fed him and cared for him, but he was growing bigger and bigger. Ace and John decided Christian should be in his natural environment. They took him to a reserve in Kenya, so he could meet other lions and learn to live in the wild. A year later, John and Ace returned to Kenya, and Christian recognized them!

In my opinion, the story shows that when you have a friend, you do what is best for them. John and Ace made the best decision for Christian. I also believe that a friend never forgets—Christian did not forget John and Ace, and he was happy to see them again.

In summary, I think that friendships are connections that we can make with people and animals. Friendships can take many forms. The friendship between Ace, John and Christian is a perfect example. It shows love and support for a friend.
1 Read the text. Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 The author of the text is a... .
   a doctor   b teacher   c student

2 The text is written for... .
   a scientists   b other students   c the class teacher

3 The text is from a... .
   a school newsletter   b personal diary   c science magazine

4 The text is about... .
   a taking care of pets   b how to make friends   c what friendship is

2 Read the text again. Match the descriptions with the paragraphs in the text.

1 Personal beliefs about friendship
2 A summary of story events
3 A conclusion
4 A definition of friendship

3 Expressing and Supporting Opinions Look at the text. Answer the questions.

1 How does the author define friendship?

2 What words or phrases does the author use to express her opinions?

3 What example supports the author’s opinion about friendship?

4 Punctuation Follow the instructions.

1 Find a compound sentence that uses and. Write it here.

2 Find a compound sentence that uses so. Write it here.
1 Answer the questions.

1 What is the purpose of your text?

2 Who will read it?

3 Where will you publish it?

4 What friendship story could you write about?

2 Think about friendship. Brainstorm and write the words you might use.

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3 Research a story about friendship. Write ideas for your text.

4 What friendship story could you write about?

10 Topic 1
4 Complete the concept map about a special friendship.

A Special Friendship

My Definition of Friendship

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My Story about a Friendship

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My Opinion about the Story

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Conclusion

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My Classmate’s Checklist

2 Exchange books with a classmate. Read the sentences. Mark (√) Yes or No.

1 There is a clear definition of friendship. Yes No
2 There is a short summary of a story about friendship. Yes No
3 The writer expresses and supports his or her opinions. Yes No
4 There is a short and relevant conclusion. Yes No
3 Rewrite your text.

My Classmate’s Checklist

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4 There is a short and relevant conclusion. Yes ☐ No ☐
5 There are compound sentences. Yes ☐ No ☐
6 Linking words and commas are used correctly. Yes ☐ No ☐
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**My Checklist**

Read the sentences. Mark (√) Yes or No.

1. I can write about friendship. Yes ☐ No ☐
2. I can write a clear definition and summarize a story as part of my text. Yes ☐ No ☐
3. I can express and support my opinions. Yes ☐ No ☐
4. I can write a relevant conclusion. Yes ☐ No ☐
5. I can write compound sentences with linking words and commas. Yes ☐ No ☐