What makes a good friend?

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In my opinion a good friend is someone that is trustworthy. A true friend is a person that is always willing to help you even if he or she has his/her own problems to cope with. Friends should also have similar interests to some extent so that they would have something to talk about. However, the person beside you will always listen to what you have to say even if it is something ridiculous or way out of his or her interests. They say that some people get and forget while others give and forgive. The formula for a true friendship is simple – the support you receive should be equal to the support you give. That's why, first of all, a true friend is someone you can always rely on. I have such a friend and I know that if decide to jump off a bridge, that person will be at the bottom to catch me. I know that she'll forgive me for every failing and every failure as I am ready to forgive her everything.

Besides, we all want to have somebody to share with – our happiness or our sorrow, our success or our failure. A good friend will always listen to what you say and even to what you don't say and will never reveal your secrets. He or she will give you a piece of advice when you ask for it or will remain silent when you just want to be lent an ear to. The American Professor of Psychology Eugene Kennedy said that "The real test of friendship is: can you literally do nothing with the other person? Can you enjoy those moments of life that are utterly simple". And I truly agree that true friendship comes when even the silence between two people becomes pleasant.

After all I think that there is only one thing that is for certain: "The only way to have a friend is to be one." And we should forget about things like selfishness, hypocrisy, lies and everything that may let your friends down. That's the essence of friendship – to trust and support.

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