The Tree of Friendship

Learning objective: To identify and describe the qualities that make a healthy and positive friendship.

Use this sheet to illustrate what a strong friendship looks like. Think about how we treat our friends and the actions that help a friendship grow. Use the word bank to add labels to your drawing.

Draw: Draw a large, flourishing tree in the centre of the page. Around the base of the tree, draw two friends sharing an activity, such as reading a book together or playing a game. Use speech bubbles to show them saying something kind to each other. Surround the tree with 'leaves' that you have labelled with the words from the word bank to show that these qualities are what make the friendship grow.

Label words: Trust · Kindness · Honesty · Listening · Support · Respect · Laughter · Empathy

Steps:

1. Identify one quality from the word bank and explain why it is important in a healthy friendship.
2. How might you show support to a friend who is feeling sad or worried?
3. Step 1: Draw two friends (you can use your own ideas or feature Leo the Lion and Zara the Zebra) playing in a park.
4. Step 2: Label three 'branches' on the Tree of Friendship with the qualities that help your friendship stay strong.

5. Why is it important to respect a friend's boundaries and personal space?