Franklin Makes a New Friend

Though it can be difficult at times, making new friends can also be fun! It’s important to meet new people. Franklin made a lot of new friends after his first appearance in the comic strip Peanuts when he met Charlie Brown.

Part 1: Learn how Franklin and Linus met for the first time in the comic strip below. Then answer the questions in a class discussion.

1. Why do you think Franklin and Linus became friends?
2. What was the initial step they took to become friends?
3. Do you think that it is easy or difficult to take the first step to meet a new friend?
4. Using Franklin and Linus as an example, what are some things you can do to start a conversation with someone to try to become friends?

Part 2: What are the qualities of a good friend? What are your favorite things to do with your friends? In the space below, write a paragraph about the importance of friendship. Explain what it takes to be a good friend, and what you like doing with your friends.

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