Grade 3

Health Objective 3.02	Language Arts Objectives
Compare and contrast behaviors that	2.06 Summarize main ideas.
promote and hinder friendships.	3.02 Identify and discuss similarities
	and differences.

Materials Needed:

Books about friends that help identify, compare and contrast the behaviors which promote and hinder friendships: Some titles: <u>Friends</u> by H. Heine <u>Friends Go Adventuring</u> by H. Heine <u>Rainbow Fish</u> by M. Pfeister <u>Chicken Sunday</u> by Patricia Polacca <u>Little Blue, Little Yellow</u> by Leo Lionni <u>Chester's Way</u> by Kevin Henkes <u>Matilta the Moocher</u> by Bluthenthal <u>George and Martha</u> by James Marshall Large sheets of paper Magazines Crayons or markers

Focus:

Choose some appropriate books to read aloud. After reading, discuss and analyze the characters' actions. Put the answers on the board or on chart paper. What actions help make and keep friends? What actions hurt friendships? The teacher should start the discussion and class list, and then turn the discussion and list making over to small groups of three or four students after teacher input.

Teacher Input:

Everybody has had some trouble with friends and family members at one time or another. Even very best friends don't always agree with each other all the time. Getting along with people at home, at school and in your neighborhood is very important. When you have good relationships with other people, you feel better about yourself, and you are being a good citizen.

Practice and Assessment:

Ask each group to finish the discussion and list that you started. After groups are finished, combine the group ideas to make a class list. Trace one body for Good Friend and one body for Not Being a Good Friend. Students from each group can add the traits with pictures to each body. These body collages could be displayed in the room.

Traits of Being a Friend	Traits of NOT Being a Friend
Compromising	Being judgmental
Being polite	Acting selfishly
Showing respect for yourself and others	Showing impatience

Thinking before you speak or act	Bullying
Thinking of others	Being hateful
Being compassionate	Acting as a loner
Sharing	Name calling
Accepting differences	Telling gossip
Joining in the activities-try	Blaming others
Saying, "I'm sorry"	Having to have your way
Taking responsibility for your actions	Telling a lie