



Thoughts on Family Friendship

Have you got a brother or sister? A cousin or family friend you're close to? Family friendships are special. You might not have chosen them, like other friends, but you have and will share many experiences with them, and they will always be there. They might be your longest friendship!

The Bible says

Moses said to God, "I am not a skilled speaker." God replied, "Aaron will speak to the people for you.

You will tell him what God says. And he will speak for you." Exodus 4:10,16

'As long as Moses held his hands up, the Israelites would win the fight. Moses' arms became tired.

Then Aaron held up Moses' hands until the sun went down.' Exodus 17:11,12

Moses and Aaron were brothers. How did they help each other?

Game



'We're Going on a Family Trip!'

Use the frame of 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' but add your own places (with noises and actions). Where will you go? What will you do? Will there be a squabble?!

Idea

Do you get on with your brother, sister, cousin or special family friend? Sometimes you might play, chat, laugh together, help each other; sometimes you might argue or be unkind to each other. But you are family and love each other. You probably share many things, feelings, memories and stories. This makes your friendship different and special. There are lots of family friendships in the Bible. Some of Jesus' friends were brothers and sisters who shared many amazing experiences.

Do

Make paper chain family friends. Fold some paper, or card for extra strength. Draw a friend outline, making sure the arms and legs go to the edge. Cut out, unfold and decorate.



Pray

Thank you for family friendships and everything we share with them. Help us to appreciate them and what they give us. Help us to be good family friends.

