

Mending A Friendship Answer Key

Sample Responses:

1. She shared Chloe's private secret with other classmates.
2. Chloe felt hurt and stopped talking to her.
3. She realized she had broken Chloe's trust.
4. She apologized and took responsibility for her mistake.
5. Chloe accepted the apology and agreed to rebuild trust.
6. True friends take responsibility and work to fix their mistakes.
7. Because sharing secrets without permission can damage trust.
8. She can keep private things private and be honest going forward.

Teacher's Guide

Skill Focus: Promoting empathy, accountability, and responsible communication when rebuilding friendships after a conflict.

Differentiation Tips:

- Read the passage aloud and pause for students to identify feelings in each paragraph.
- Provide visual emotion cards (hurt, guilt, regret, relief) for students to match with parts of the story.
- Allow written, verbal, or picture-based responses depending on ability level.

Engagement Ideas:

- Facilitate a class discussion about trust and what makes someone a good friend.
- Have students role-play the conversation between Sierra and Chloe, exploring tone and body language.

Extension Activities:

- Ask students to write their own short story about a time they fixed a friendship problem.
- Create a "Friendship Repair Plan" poster listing steps like "Listen," "Say Sorry," and "Keep Promises."