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## Friendship Test

**Directions:** Read the story carefully. Think about the message the story is trying to teach. Write a short response (5-7 sentences) answering the prompt at the end. Be sure to include text evidence in your answer.

### The Spelling Bee Secret

Jonah and Daniel were best friends, and both were competing in the school spelling bee. The night before the contest, Jonah peeked at the teacher's word list that had been left on a desk. He rushed to tell Daniel that they could memorize the answers and win for sure. Daniel shook his head. "That's cheating. If we win like that, it won't mean anything." Jonah argued, "But everyone wants us to win. What's the harm if nobody knows?" The next day, Daniel competed honestly, but Jonah used the word list. When Jonah won, the applause felt hollow, and he avoided Daniel's eyes. Daniel may not have won first place, but he left the stage proud of himself.

What message does this story teach about honesty and friendship? Write a short response (5-7 sentences) using details from the story to support your answer.

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