#### How to Make and Support New Friends: Lessons from a Merman

In the shimmering depths of the ocean, there lived a young merman named Finny. Finny was a kind and curious creature, but he was also very shy. He longed to make friends, but he didn't know how.



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One day, Finny was swimming through a kelp forest when he saw a group of fish playing together. He watched them for a while, wishing he could join in their fun. But then he remembered how shy he was, and he swam away.

As Finny swam away, he bumped into a wise old sea turtle. The sea turtle smiled at Finny and said, "Hello, young merman. Why are you so sad?"

Finny told the sea turtle about how he wanted to make friends, but he was too shy. The sea turtle listened patiently, and then he said, "Making friends can be scary, but it's also one of the most rewarding things you can do. Here are a few tips to help you make new friends:

- 1. Be yourself. People can tell when you're trying to be someone you're not, so just be yourself and let your true personality shine through.
- 2. Be kind and compassionate. People are drawn to those who are kind and caring. Always try to be helpful and understanding, and people will want to be your friend.
- 3. Be a good listener. People love to talk about themselves, so be a good listener and show them that you're interested in what they have to say. This will make them feel good and they'll be more likely to want to be your friend.
- 4. Be patient. Making friends takes time. Don't get discouraged if you don't make friends right away. Just keep putting yourself out there and eventually you'll find people who want to be your friend.

Finny thanked the sea turtle for his advice, and then he swam away. He was still shy, but he was determined to make friends. He started by being himself and being kind to others. He listened to what people had to say, and he was patient. And eventually, he made some wonderful friends.

Finny's story is a reminder that making friends can be scary, but it's also one of the most rewarding things you can do. If you're shy, don't worry. Just be yourself, be kind, and be patient. And eventually, you'll find people who want to be your friend.

#### **How to Support Your Child's Friendships**

As a parent, you want your child to have a happy and fulfilling life. And one of the most important parts of a happy life is having good friends. Friends

provide companionship, support, and laughter. They help us learn and grow, and they make life more fun.

Here are a few tips on how to support your child's friendships:

- Encourage your child to make friends. Let them know that it's okay to be shy, but that you believe in them and you know they can make friends.
- 2. Help your child to develop social skills. Talk to them about how to make friends, how to be a good friend, and how to resolve conflicts peacefully.
- 3. Provide opportunities for your child to socialize. Invite their friends over to play, or take them to activities where they can meet new people.
- 4. Be supportive of your child's friendships. Let them know that you're happy for them and that you're there for them if they need you.

Supporting your child's friendships is one of the best ways to help them grow into happy and healthy adults. By providing them with encouragement, support, and opportunities to socialize, you can help them build strong and lasting friendships.

Making and supporting friends is an important part of life. It can be scary at first, but it's also one of the most rewarding things you can do. If you're shy, don't worry. Just be yourself, be kind, and be patient. And eventually, you'll find people who want to be your friend.

As parents, we can support our children's friendships by encouraging them to make friends, helping them to develop social skills, providing

opportunities for them to socialize, and being supportive of their friendships. By ng so, we can help them build strong and lasting friendships that will benefit them throughout their lives.



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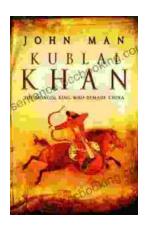
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