



Friendship Chant

IT STARTS IN THE HEART

Lyrics: Dr. Becky Bailey & Jack Hartmann

Look around, what do you see? (Echo)
I see the best in you and me (Echo)
I will do my job at school (Echo)
Helping others sure is cool (Echo)

Chorus

Friendship 1, 2
Friendship 3, 4
Friendship 1, 2 – 3, 4

I will listen to your words (Echo)
It's important to be heard (Echo)
I'll say stop to hurtful ways (Echo)
That way we'll have helpful days (Echo)

Repeat Chorus

These are things I choose to do (Echo)
Do my best and follow through (Echo)
So, look around, what do you see? (Echo)
I see the best in you and me (Echo)

Repeat Chorus





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This is an echo song.

One person says the first line and the remaining children echo back what has been said. You can vary your approach with who is the leader. For the chant friendships 1, 2 etc do the following: Divide the class into thirds. One group will stand and say 1, 2; another group will stand and say 3, 4; and the last group will stand and say 1, 2 - 3, 4. After they shout their lines in a military manner they are to sit down until the next verse.

Extensions

Discuss what it means to be a friend. Have the children role play how a friend would act in various situations. Discuss what it means to make a commitment. Have children commit to keep the classroom safe, or say excuse me when they bump into someone. Use these commitments to add additional verses to the song.

